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## Qualities of leadership

Kirchoff enjoys  
BAC 'community'

By Jason White  
Staff writer

To lifelong music-lover Elmer Kirchoff, the job of college president is like that of a symphony conductor. "It's his responsibility to put together the team... to get the best possible results for the work at hand," Kirchoff said. "If any of the components are faulty, then there can be problems."

### PROFILE

Belleville Area College shows what can happen when staff, students and management work together, Kirchoff said.

"I feel that BAC has demonstrated its excellence in all aspects of this," Kirchoff said. "It is, indeed, a community."

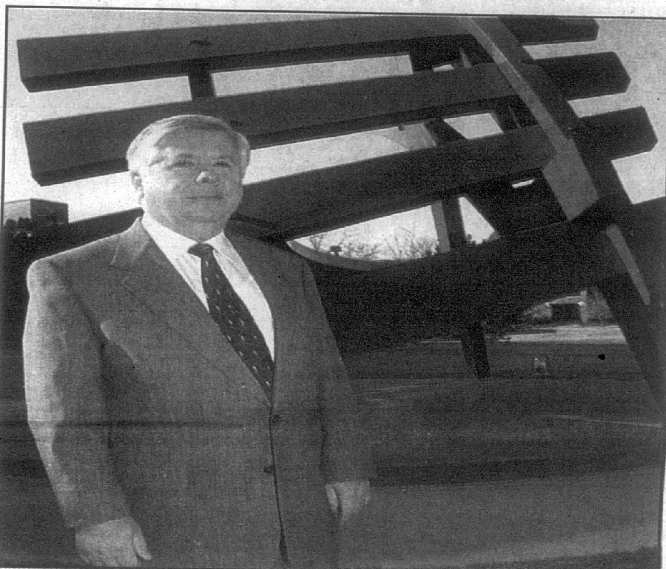
That community comprises students on campuses in Belleville, Granite City and Red Bud. The college's expansion has depended largely on Metro East residents' support for higher education, Kirchoff said.

"They've demonstrated, by putting up their hard cash, their belief in post-secondary education," he said. "We feel that the community college system is poised to provide the kind of educational opportunities that the residents demand."

One huge demand is for technological education, Kirchoff said.

"I think that is the challenge — educational institutions must keep abreast of ever-changing technology," he said. "Schools are scrambling to develop the latest aids to achieving those goals."

Technology is one of the



Staff photo by T.L. WITT

Elmer Kirchoff, president-elect of Belleville Area College and current health-life-safety director for the St. Clair County Regional Office of Education, served as District 187 superintendent from 1988-95.

major areas the college will focus on in coming years, Kirchoff said. Other goals include renovating the three campuses, expanding extension services, providing

careers programs for high schools and establishing relationships with four-year universities.

Although this sounds like a tall order, those who know Kirchoff say he's the right

man for the job.

"He listens, listens and then listens some more," Cahokia Unit School District 187 Superintendent Bob

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## Foundation's methods appear to work

Changing lives is what the Belleville Area College Foundation strives to accomplish.

And it appears to be working. Private gifts pay for 100 scholarships, sculptures, paintings, program enhancements, carillons, visiting artists, library acquisitions and a number of other projects.

In the last decade, the foundation has provided more than \$229,000 in competitive grants, open to faculty and staff at the college.

"We provide enhancements and scholarships that are not part of the ongoing operational expense of the college," said Richard May, chairman of the foundation's 14-member Board of Directors.

"Making a gift to the community college... is a great way to matter."

Kathy O'Dell  
executive director

The foundation, created by the college's Board of Trustees several decades ago, is a non-profit organization recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a charity. This means that gifts are tax-

deductible to the extent allowed by the law.

Gifts may be in the form of cash, appreciated property, equities, or marketable real estate. Donors may also list the foundation as a beneficiary of their will, life insurance or trust.

The donors may select how they wish their gifts used.

"Someone has said that the goal in life is to matter. Making a gift to the community college, which has such impact on our home communities, is a great way to matter," said Kathy O'Dell, the foundation's executive director.

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## New bylaws set to kick in

Criminals, drivers face more stringent codes

By Mark Hodapp  
Staff writer

Stronger penalties for criminals who commit sex crimes against children and the establishment of a three-tier system for drivers licenses are among the many new laws that become effective Jan. 1.

Teenagers will now be subject to more stringent driving standards under the new system.

Senate Bill 950 sets the stage for the graduated license at 15 years old with restrictions lessening as the driver gets older.

At age 21, drivers will be eligible for an official driver license.

Meanwhile, three new laws increase penalties for people who commit sex crimes.

Senate Bill 5 contains a "light of day" provision to allow prior evidence of sexual offenses to be used in court against someone accused of criminal sexual assault against a child and other sex crimes.

Senate Bill 6 creates the Sexually Violent Person Commitment Act and sets up procedures for the civil commitment of sexually violent people after they have completed their prison sentence but still pose a

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threat to the public.

Senate Bill 7, called "three strikes and you're out," means more time behind bars for dangerous sex offenders. This law imposes a sentence of natural life in prison for offenders convicted a second time for aggravated criminal sexual assault or predatory criminal sexual assault of a child.

Other new laws becoming effective Jan. 1 include:

• House Bill 2015, which increases the penalties for delivering controlled substances in senior citizen centers and other areas housing seniors.

• Senate Bill 951, which allows police to enforce handicapped parking laws on private property.

• House Bill 316, which requires the use of soybean oil-based ink for printing services contracted by local governments or school districts unless another ink is needed for quality or cost reasons.

• Senate Bill 248, which allows children attending a day care to bring their lunch instead of having a lunch provided.

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## Effects on wetlands discussed at meeting

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A public hearing on the proposed expansion of the city of Madison's tax increment financing district drew about 25 people Tuesday.

Mayor John Hamm, City Attorney Casper Nighohossian, and Alan Ortbals, executive director of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority, answered questions about the proposed changes in the 1 1/4-hour meeting.

Questions ranged from the use of "quick-take" to the expansion's effect on wetlands.

If approved by the council in January, the expansion will almost double the TIF district.

City and development officials said the original 615-acre district — covering Gateway International Raceway and Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza — has been a great success.

The expansion is in two tracts. The first tract includes mostly open land on both sides of Highway 203 and Bend Road up to Harrison Street.

"We have no intention of affecting wetlands."

Casper Nighohossian  
City Attorney

The second tract is northeast of the intersection of the two roads and includes a number of residential structures, mobile homes and some industrial property.

Major redevelopment projects already under way include the \$8 million Gateway National Golf Links and more than \$600,000 in improvements at Maverick Transport Co.

Other proposed developments within the expanded district include possible motels and restaurants near the golf course. All the land within the TIF district is zoned for business and light industrial use.

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## Airport moves closer to expansion

Lambert-St. Louis International Airport is one step closer to expansion since the Federal Aviation Administration's release last week of the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The statement heralds the airport's W-1W expansion plan as the FAA's "preferred alternative." All that is left is the final roadblock: the Record of Decision, which will give Lambert officials the

### READER SURVEY

green light to begin expansion. The FAA is expected to release the ROD in as soon as 30 days.

Airport expansion has divided local communities. While some officials and residents applaud expansion, cities west

of the airport such as Bridgeton and St. Charles are concerned about the effect W-1W will have on them.

We at the Journal want to know what you think about the issue. Today's Journal includes a reader poll on Page 3A. No matter what side of the runway, every resident has some stake in Lambert expansion.

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# NEWS

## SUNDAY REVIEW

Editor's note: Sunday Review provides a summary of some of the major stories that appeared in the Press-Record the previous week. For full details, pick up a copy of the Dec. 24 paper.

### Worthen girl killed in wreck

Illinois State Police are still investigating a fatal car crash Dec. 21 on Horseshoe Lake Road.

Natasha Urkewich, 6, a kindergarten student at Worthen School in Granite City, was killed when the car she was riding in collided with another vehicle on Horseshoe Lake Road about a half-mile east of Highway 152. Three other people were injured in the accident.

The driver of the car, Natasha's mother Karen Urkewich, 30, of Granite City, was taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City, and then transferred to St. Louis University Medical Center in St. Louis, where she was in fair condition Tuesday.

Jacob Thomas, 4, a passenger in the car, was released from Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital on Monday. The driver of the second vehicle, Ildiro Segovia, 28, of Granite City, was treated and released at SEMC.

### Water rates going up

The Illinois Commerce Commission voted Monday to allow Illinois-American Water Company to increase rates for water service. The average residential customer monthly bill in the company's southern district will increase approximately 7.4 cents per day, or \$2.26 per month, excluding fire protection charges.

The 9.2 percent increase will affect residents who live in Belleville, East St. Louis, Granite City and many surrounding communities, including parts of Shiloh.

The new rates are expected to take effect by year end and produce \$3.9 million in additional gross revenue.

### Madison will have probation offices

Satellite offices of the Madison County Probation Department will open early next year in Madison and East Alton. Leasing of the offices was approved Wednesday by the Madison County Board.

For the Madison location, the former City Hall at 1529 Third St. will be used. In East Alton, the satellite office will take over the second floor of the village's Vital Services building.

Darrell McGibany, director of probation and court services, said the new offices should open sometime in February or March. McGibany said Madison is the second county in the state — following the example of Cook County — to institute such a program.

### Two sought, charged in home invasion

Venice police Tuesday charged one suspect and were seeking formal charges against another in a Monday home invasion.

Two suspects are apparently still at large as of Dec. 23. One, Abby Smith of the 1000 block of Market Street, was charged with one count of home invasion, with bond set at \$100,000.

### Lambert expansion steps up

The Federal Aviation Administration released the Final Environmental Impact Statement Monday, singling out Lambert St. Louis International Airport's chosen expansion plan, W-1W, as the preferred plan.

Welcomed by a variety of elected officials and civic leaders as a step closer to a modern airport, the FEIS all but assures a favorable Record of Decision.

W-1W comes in at an estimated \$2.2 billion as compared to the S-1 plan, which would cost an estimated \$2.5 billion. Both plans rated comparably in terms of noise and environmental impacts. W-1W affects about one-third of the city of Bridgeton.

Illinois officials consider continued expansion of Lambert St. Louis International Airport is essential to the continued development of the entire metropolitan area.

The Esther class of the Suburban Baptist Church Christmas party was held Dec. 15 in the Parkway recreation hall and was hosted by Helen Lilly and Ruth Meseley.

Christmas bingo was played until everyone received a prize. A delicious dinner was served to Helen Cook, Dee Smith, Marie Daiiger, Susie Garnet, Ann Harris, Susie Horton, Evelyn Mohorn, Georgetta Monical Jean Parks, Sharon Purkey, Frances Wadlow, and one guest, Linda, Ruth Bunker's daughter.

Ralph Young of Granite City is the 3,000th member to join St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Unity Advantage program, which began in January 1996.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### Community

The ILLINOIS TREKKERS VOLKSWAGEN CLUB will host its annual NEW YEAR'S EVE WALK Dec. 31 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

The starting point for the five and 10 kilometer Group Night Walk will be in the Bonaventure Cafeteria in the Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. Walkers may register for either distance beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the walk starting at 7 p.m. Everyone should be finished and back to the Medical Center by 10 p.m.

The walk will be through the streets of Granite City on sidewalks and paved roads. Wheel chairs and strollers can manage the walk with a minimum of difficulty. The event is open to the public and all ages are welcome with family participation encouraged. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. No pets allowed inside the Medical Center. Restrooms available at the start/finish point, and parking is available in the 21st Street Parking Garage.

The event is free; however, for those desiring IV credit in their event and distance books, the fee is \$2. Volkswagens are reminded to bring their IVV book with them or purchased at the event for \$5.

Refreshments will be served following the walk. For more information call Phyllis at 397-3815 after 6 p.m. or Ed and Rose at 878-7244 during the day.

### Stage plays/musicals

"Why Good Girls Like Bad Boys" brings its Christian-inspired message Jan. 16-18 to the FOX Theatre for five performances. Show times for the rousing gospel musical are 8 p.m. Dec. 16, 3 and 8 p.m. Dec. 17 and 3 and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18.

A grandfather's fight to save his daughter is the central plot. The main character is the Rev. "Poppy" Harris, played by actor and award-winning NAACP Image Award-winning actor and song stylist David Whitfield. Harris takes on the devil in a battle for control over his granddaughter, a young woman who despite her Christian upbringing is hopelessly drawn to "bad" boys.

Tickets range from \$19.50 to \$27.50, depending on performance time and day. Tickets are available at the FOX Theatre box office and all MetroTix locations including all area Famous-Barr stores, Streetside Records and select Schnucks Video Clubs. Call MetroTix at (314) 534-1111. Group rates are available for some performances to groups 20 or more. Call the Group Sales line at (314) 535-2900 for more information. Web site is [www.fabulous-fox.com](http://www.fabulous-fox.com).

The SAINT LOUIS SYMPHONY MUSIC SCHOOL students host recitals at 2 and 4 p.m. Jan. 17 at the Symphony Music School, 560 Trinity at Delmar in University City. Symphony Music School students of all ages and abilities will be performing various musical selections. Recitals are free and the public is invited. Call (314) 863-3033.

The MISSOURI AREA BLUEGRASS COMMITTEE presents its 16th Winter Four-Day Indoor Bluegrass Festival Jan. 8-11 at the Day's Inn, 15 Hilltop Drive in Eureka, Mo. The festival features local bands from Illinois and Missouri. Music festivities begin with a Bluegrass Show 7:30 p.m. Jan. 8. The Fiddle and Banjo Contest is 7 p.m. Jan. 9. Two shows are presented at 12:30 and 8:30 p.m. Jan. 10. The Gospel Music Show begins at 10 a.m. Jan. 11. Tickets range from \$3 to \$8.50, depending on the performance. A full weekend pass is available for \$17. For more information, call Art and Pauline Johnson (314) 739-0273; Chris Starkey (314) 926-7215.

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Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township areas for the Press-Record Journal. She can be reached at 931-6286.

### MAXINE GREEN

He received a gift certificate to Charlie's Restaurant and a sports bag filled with gifts from SEMC. Unity Advantage is still growing; you must be 55 or older to join. Call 798-3800 for information.

Lula Frost entertained members of her Sunday School class on Pontoon Baptist Church with a Christmas party in her home Dec. 15. Attending were Becky Champion, Buddy Haynes, Ken Ealey, Mike and Lisa Reeves, Brian and Dee Owens, Ken and Lora Fuller, Donna Fox and Ben Frost.

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## READER SURVEY

Should MidAmerica be used beyond its present role to better serve the region so that Lambert doesn't have to be expanded?

What do you think of Lambert's proposed expansion and the related issues outlined above? Use the space below for your answer. In addition to listing hometown and ZIP code, please include any other information possible in your comments about your interest in the airport is, for example, if you live nearby and would lose your home or business, if you're a frequent flyer, etc.

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In a TIF district, the amount of tax revenue received by cities and other taxing bodies is frozen, and any increase in tax revenue is placed in a special account to be used only inside

Kathy Andria of the Madison County Conservation Alliance was the most vocal participant in the hearing. She questioned the city's

Nighohossian said the city had no plans to develop those areas, and noted that 30 acres in the eastern part of the district would be set up as a conservation area.

Several participants questioned the use of quick-take, a form of eminent domain used by SWIDA.

Ortbals said quick-take can only be used within the TIF district with the permission of the city, and Hamm said Madison was not interested in quick-take.

Both said a recent tract taken by SWIDA for the development of parking for the raceway was done at the request of Madison County.

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## Laws

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• House Bill 1883, which prohibits the operation of an adult entertainment facility within 1,000 feet of a school, church, day care, cemetery, park or place of worship.

• House Bill 1338, which provides that a school bus driver who refuses a testing or fails a test for alcohol will be reported to the Secretary of State, will be sanctioned and will not be eligible for a driving permit for three years.

• House Bill 172, which allows a search warrant to take place without a police officer knocking first if there is a reasonable belief that force will be used against the officer or if evidence will be destroyed.

• Senate Bill 452, which makes it a Class 4 felony to possess or apply a fake ID for another person.

• House Bill 1315, which imposes the death penalty for first degree murder if the victim was handicapped or 60 years and older and whose death was caused by exceptionally heinous behavior.

• House Bill 127, which prevents a firearm owner's identification card being issued to a person convicted of domestic battery.

• House Bill 710, which makes it a Class 4 felony when a person required to register as a sex offender knowingly gives false material information.

• Senate Bill 495, which requires a person under the age of 13 to wear a lifejacket when on a boat.

## Kirchoff

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Bresnahan said. Bresnahan said he learned about management by working with Kirchoff, who served as District 187 superintendent from 1988-1995.

"He's a very patient man, and the bottom line is he's a good educator," Bresnahan said. "I would hope our district can work with BAC to make sure children continue their education, at least through that level, if not further."

Kirchoff, a trombone player with a penchant for traditional jazz, started his career in 1958 as a music teacher at Marissa High School.

"An original goal was to be a professional musician, and I had good counseling in that I better get teaching credentials," he said. "It was the best advice I ever got."

"I think I got the best of both worlds," he said. An aunt who taught school in Kirchoff's hometown of East St. Louis inspired him to become a teacher, he said. While stationed at Grant District 110 in Fairview Heights, an administrator and board member persuaded him to enter the administrative field, an area he found to his liking.

After serving as superintendent at District 110 for three years, he was appointed assistant superintendent at the St. Clair County Regional Office of Education from 1977-1988. After seven years at District 187, he took his current position as health/safety director for the Regional Office.

In that capacity, Kirchoff has seen the physical condition of East St. Louis' schools improve in the last two years. He will assume his BAC duties Jan. 1.

"The real challenge is to improve the educational achievement, and this is true everywhere," he said.

"Unfortunately, there's a direct correlation between the socio-economic level of students and achievement, but all students can learn," he said. "It's necessary to utilize many learning strategies to teach students today."

Education will always require the participation and support of everyone involved, he said.

"It takes the community to educate," he said.

## Method

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Members of the foundation board are William Badgely, Barbara Constance, Lucille Davis, Kimberly Shaw Elliott, Loren Harms, Bruce Holland, Glen Horrell, Joseph Lowery, Billie Marsh, Richard May, John Meyer, K. Lane Miller, Orison Seibert and Melvin Wilmsmeyer. The chairman of the Board of Trustees and the college president serve as ex-officio members of the foundation board.

— Jason White

## Friends enlist help for local leukemia victim

By Scott Kelly  
Staff writer

Patty Morris-Hildebrand of Granite City needs your help.

She is in desperate need of large quantities of blood platelets through matching donations to help her fight her leukemia. Like thousands of others worldwide hit with leukemia, her body is unable to produce normal blood cells.

She was in Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis for several weeks, after friends brought her there.

"I'm holding on, remaining optimistic," Morris-Hildebrand said earlier

this month from her room.

Friends are calling area media to enlist donor support for her. Her need is immediate, partly because of a new procedure doctors at Barnes-Jewish hope will win the fight.

Every four hours, every day, Morris-Hildebrand, 42, is given a new regiment of four units CNB negative platelets. The procedure is so new, Morris-Hildebrand apparently is only the second patient in the United States to receive this type of care.

Platelets are the blood cells that serve as clotting agents. When a blood vessel is damaged, platelets form a clot, stopping blood from

escaping the damaged vessel.

A normal blood count is about 350,000 platelets. Morris-Hildebrand's, however, is extremely low, fluctuating between zero and five.

"Right now, we're trying to get her platelet count up," said Morris-Hildebrand's friend Connie Smith, a registered nurse and resident of New Athens.

Smith said Morris-Hildebrand can't perform tasks people take for granted, such as brushing her teeth, because the action could easily cause unstoppable bleeding.

The procedure for donating platelets takes longer than donating blood

— from one and a half to two hours — but there is a need, not only for her. Morris-Hildebrand said, mindful of others even while she is in great need.

"Even if they can't help me, they can help someone else in the hospital," Morris-Hildebrand said.

The average person is often unaware of what they can do to help others, she said.

To donate platelets to help Morris-Hildebrand or any other patient in need, call (314) 382-1253 (see related story).

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## New officers

Sworn in at a recent meeting of Chapter 1067 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees were, from left: Edward Masterson of Glen Carbon, District I vice president; Vee Throne, president; Melba Wobbe, vice president; Alpha Barnhart, secretary. Helen Martin, treasurer, is not shown. This month's regular meeting was held Dec. 9 at Charlie's Restaurant for Granite City. Lunch was served to 49 members and guests. The meeting was called to order by chapter president Katherine Shockley; past president Willard Messer gave the invocation; and members recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The next monthly meeting will be Jan. 13 at Charlie's.

## Eagles plan state officers weekend

The first meeting in November of Eagles Auxiliary 1126 was opened by President Mildred Boyd, with all officers present.

A thank you card from Aerle President Jim Boyd was read thanking the ladies for helping with the Kickoff dinner and attendance at the dinner with Grand Worthy President Bill Blum. A letter from Joanna

Spencer was read regarding state officers weekend Jan. 16-18. An invitation from Streater 646 to their officers weekend December 5-6 was also read.

A motion was made and passed to donate \$100 to Santa's Cabin. Also, a donation was approved of \$500.00 for Parents for Special Education. The Auxiliary will buy 2 bricks

on the Park Board's Memory Walk. Also, donations of \$100.00 each will be made to Salvation Army, Catholic Charities, Protestant Welfare and 4-Square Church for their food pantries.

The meeting was adjourned with President Mildred Boyd announcing that next meeting will be a birthday celebration for Hilda Melton.

## BIRTHS

**Brenda Donithan**  
CHASIDY LINHART AND MATT DONITHAN of Granite City announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Brenda Lee Donithan was born at 4:23 p.m. Nov. 18, 1997, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and joins Matthew, 1 and Meagan, 2.

Her maternal grandparents are Danny and Maricena Linhart of Granite City.

Robert Donithan and Brenda Cunningham of Granite City are her paternal grandparents.

**Jacob Brankor**  
TIFFANY MCALL AND JASON BRANKOR of Granite City announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Jacob Aaron Brankor was born at 4:33 Nov. 25, 1997, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City. He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and joins Dameron, 4 and Taylor, 2. His maternal grandparents

are John Moore and Bonita Schlake of Granite City. Ann Brankor of Granite City is his paternal grandparent.

**Madelynn Stewart**  
KEVIN AND KATHLEEN STEWART of Granite City announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Madelynn Elaine Stewart was born at 7:07 p.m. Nov. 25, 1997, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces, and joins Josephine Stewart, 2.

Robert and Debra Scott of Granite City are her maternal grandparents. Her paternal grandparent is Linda Cruz of Denver, Colo.

**Danny Bone**  
DANNY AND SHERI BONE of Granite City announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Danny Marion Bone was born at 11:40 a.m. Nov. 25,

1997, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Danielle, 4.

Kenneth and Patricia Wiedower of Granite City, are his maternal grandparents. His paternal grandparents are Danny and Jeanette Bone of Granite City.

**Cordell Legens**  
ELIZABETH YOUNG AND DONALD LEGENS of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Cordell "Blake" Pershing Allen Legens was born at 4:35 p.m. Dec. 1, 1997, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City. He weighed 6 pounds, and 8 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are John and Priscilla Young of Granite City.

William Cordell Legens and Geneva Tedrick of Granite City are his paternal grandparents.

## MILESTONES

Wallace V. Weidner celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

Loren Sullivester Wilhmy celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

Leslie McElroy celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

Alice Parks celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

Barbara (Legens) Bogovich celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

William "Bill" Legens celebrates a birthday today, Dec. 28.

Sylvia Townsend celebrates a birthday Dec. 29.

Ruth (Pinnon) Smith celebrates a birthday Dec. 29.

Theresa "Cricket" celebrates a birthday Dec. 29.

Thelma Moorelein celebrates a birthday Dec. 29.

Jack and Betty Podner celebrate their wedding anniversary Dec. 29.

Nathan Padgett celebrates a birthday Dec. 30.

Minnie Kamacho celebrates a birthday Dec. 31.

Irene Rainwater celebrates a birthday Dec. 31.

Jessica Dawnwill celebrates a birthday Jan. 1.

Jim Reed celebrates a birthday Jan. 1.

Katharine Nicole Anderson celebrates a birthday Jan. 1.

Sarah Jessica McWhorter celebrates a birthday Jan. 1.

Rory and Denise Caldwell celebrate their wedding anniversary Jan. 2.

Rich and Naomi Siedhoff celebrate their wedding anniversary Jan. 2.

Gene Koehler celebrates a birthday Jan. 2.

Lori D. O'Bear celebrates a birthday Jan. 2.

Charles "Mike" Foley celebrates a birthday Jan. 3.

Libby Wilson celebrates a birthday Jan. 3.

To submit an item for Milestones, drop a post card to "Milestones," 1815 Delmar, Granite City, IL 62040. Please include a telephone number for verification purposes.

Also, keep in mind that we will run birthdays and anniversaries each year unless we are contacted and asked to take the item off the list. Please contact us if a person you submitted for milestones passes away, or no longer wants to be included in the listing.



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## OBITUARIES

## Hetty Diamond

HETTY DIAMOND, 95, of Tulsa, Okla. died Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997. Diamond was born August 7, 1902 in Manchester, England to Louis and Amelia (Block) Diamond. She was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, Wolf Diamond.

Survivors include one son, Dr. Louis Diamond of Tulsa; five grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren. Services were held Friday, Dec. 26 at 2 p.m. at the Rindskopf-Roth Funeral Home in St. Louis. Interment followed in Chesed Shel Emet Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by the Fitzgerald Funeral Service in Tulsa, Okla.

## Douglas Griggs

DOUGLAS GRIGGS, 44, of Venice died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

Griggs was a native of St. Louis. Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline Griggs; two children, Douglas, III and Cherylene Eunice; father, Douglas (Hazel) Griggs, I; four sisters, Angela Mallett, Diane Isaac, Dollie Mallett and Sylvia Woodson; a god-mother, Bobbie June Booker; two god-brothers; and two god-sisters.

Services were Tuesday, Dec. 23 at the Mt. Nebo Baptist Church in Madison with the Rev. Randore Foggs officiating. Interment followed in the Sunset Hill Cemetery of Memory Cemetery in Millstadt.

Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel serviced these arrangements.

## Vasil Vasileff

VASIL VASILEFF, DDS, 83, of Jacksonville, Fla. died at 7:20 p.m. Monday, Dec. 22, 1997, at Southlake Nursing Home in Jacksonville.

Vasileff was born January 1, 1914 in Madison to Docho and Maria (Popov) Vasileff. He was a member of the Granite City Elks Lodge #1063, Granite City Masonic Lodge #877, Holy Trinity Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church in Madison and of the First Presbyterian Church in Granite City.

Survivors include his wife, Esther Vasileff, of Jacksonville, Fla.; two sons, Michael Vasileff of Jacksonville, and Dr. Thomas Vasileff, MD, of Anchorage, Alaska; one brother, Nick Vasileff, of Edwardsville; one sister, Eva Johannmeier of Granite City; two grandsons, John Vasileff of Atlanta, Ga., and Wm. Vasil Vasileff of New Orleans, La.; and three granddaughters, Ann and Sue Anchorage of Jacksonville, and Emily Vasileff of Anchorage; and one great-granddaughter, Rose Vasileff of Jacksonville.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, Dec. 28, at Davis Funeral Home in Granite City. Services will be at the Holy Trinity Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church in Madison at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 29 with the Rev. Thomas Succarotte officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Hill Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials can be made to the Alzheimer's Assn., 9374 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63132.

## Friends

(Continued from Page 4A) Morris-Hildebrand was diagnosed with myelogenous leukemia in October 1994. Friends and family—including her children, Joshua, Jordan and

## Ella Mae Moore

ELLA MAE (KING) MOORE, 55, of St. Louis died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997 in St. Louis.

Moore was a native of Charleston, Mo. Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Glover (O.C.) Webster of Brooklyn; four daughters, Portia Moore of Centerville, Verneda Brown of Belleville, Ella Green of Centerville, and Kimberly Jackson of Cahokia; four sisters, Virginia Skyles of Cleveland, Ohio, and Andrian Clark of Carbondale, Vivian Walker of Cleveland, Ohio, and Andrian Clark of Carbondale, Ohio; Aaron Brooks and Louis Skyles both of Carbondale; and four grandchildren, Cedric Jackson, Jr., Derrick Brown, Jr., Shulinda Jackson and Jalen Brown.

Services were Tuesday, Dec. 23 at the Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel in East St. Louis with the Rev. Henry Goodwin officiating. Interment followed in the Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Millstadt.

## Glenn Eddleman

GLENN (GABBY) R. EDDLEMAN, 68, of Granite City died at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997 at his residence.

Eddleman was born July 31, 1929 in Birdpoint, Mo. to George and Lolla (Finley) Eddleman. He founded the Terry Eddleman Memorial Billiard League, was a member of the Granite City Jaycees, Granite City Eagles Post #126, Granite City Sports Lodge 1063, Amvets Post 51, and the Granite City Sports Hall of Fame.

Survivors include one sister, Paty Bowman of Staunton; two sons, Mark and Robert Eddleman of Granite City; three daughters, Sharon Eddleman-Bentley of River Ridge, La., Susan Eddleman of Granite City, and Mary Ann Eddleman of Granite City; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Terry Eddleman; and his parents, Bill Eddleman and his parents. Services were Dec. 27 at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Interment followed at the Sunset Hill Memorial Estates.

Memorials can be made to the Hospice of Madison County.

## Theodore Hadaller

THEODORE E. HADALLER, 80, of Granite City died Thursday, Dec. 25, 1997 at 8 a.m.

Hadaller was born Dec. 3, 1907 in Effingham, Ill. to Joseph and Mary (Auerbach) Hadaller. He was a retired foreman from Frun-Colon Construction Co. and he was of Protestant Faith.

Survivors include three nieces, Aloisie Brounshide of La Mirada, Cal., Betty McCabe of Buena Park, Cal., Nancy Cunningham of Covington, Ind. and David Hadaller of Fort Wayne, Ind.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Anna Hadaller, Rosella Hadaller, Kathryn Cox, Frances Smith, Josephine Murray, and Marie Hamilton; and four brothers, Walter, George, Mathias and Marshall Hadaller.

Visitation will be today, Sunday, Dec. 28, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Mercer Mortuary.

Services will be at 10 a.m. today at Mercer Mortuary with the Rev. Dr. Lewis Trotter officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Hill in Edwardsville.

Laura, and her parents, Lyman and Doris Morris of Granite City, organized a benefit in July 1995 to raise funds for a bone marrow transplant.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

## Walter Schoffra

WALTER H. SCHOFFRA, 83, of Edwardsville died Friday, Dec. 12, 1997 at 8:25 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City.

Schoffra was born April 6, 1914 in Madison to John and Mary (Julie) Schoffra. He was a laborer for Government Maintenance and retired in 1967 and he was of Catholic Faith. Survivors include one son, Phillip Schoffra of Pontoon Beach; two sisters, Helen Laughlin of California, and Dorothy Ely of Granite City; five grandchildren, Phillip, Ernie and Ronald Schoffra of Pontoon Beach, Gina Schoffra of Madison, and Phillip Copeland; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one sister, George Brankov. Services were Wednesday, Dec. 17, at Thomas Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Delmar Shirley officiating. Interment followed at Buck Road Cemetery.

## Stanley Hecht

STANLEY HECHT, 68, of Granite City died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1997 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City.

Hecht was born February 16, 1929 in Franklin, Mo. to Emil and Grace (Ficke) Hecht. He was a retired Supervisor from Granite City Steel, a consultant for Primar Refineries, a life-long member of Tri-City Park Tabernacle in Granite City, and President of Eagles Post #1126 in Granite City.

Survivors include his wife, June (Bone) Hecht of Granite City; one son, Stanley Hecht of Granite City; three brothers, Gene Hecht of Jefferson City, Mo., Donald and Bill Hecht of St. Charles, Mo.; four sisters, Lois Mick of Richmond, Mo., Lou Tollard of Mt. Home, Ark., Ann Vofford of Bland, Mo., and Norma Felton of Lake Ozark, Mo.; and three grandchildren.

Preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Everett Hecht; three sisters, Cathrine Poole, Helen McDonald, Ruth Gushell.

Visitation will be today, Sunday, Dec. 28 from noon to 8 p.m. at Irwin Chapel at 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Memorials can be made to Tri-City Park Tabernacle in Granite City.

## Edward Bickel

EDWARD GUSTAVE BICKEL, 79, of Collinsville died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1997 at his residence.

Mr. Bickel was born March 9, 1918, in Frontenac, Kan., to William and Fernie May (Smith) Bickel. He attended Ford Motor Trade School in Detroit, where he became a machinist. He retired as a machinist from Granite City Steel in 1981. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Collinsville and the Collinsville Eagles Lodge #1051.

Survivors include his wife, Lola (Atkinson) Bickel of Collinsville; six daughters, Ginger Trucano of Collinsville, Linda Childers of San Diego, Sharon Franchek of Collinsville, Patricia Woolf of Fort Worth, Loretta Thayer of Collinsville and Linda Kay Caudill of Collinsville; five brothers, Willard, Lester, Louis, Lloyd and Frank Bickel; four sisters, Pearl Whitmore, Ida Smith, Dorothy Duncan and Anne Shirley Kaiser; 21

grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Patricia Bickel; his parents; and three brothers, Fred, Eugene and John Bickel.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, Dec. 28.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Allan And Clutter Funeral Home in Collinsville with the Rev. Joe Sheets officiating. Interment will follow at the LakeView Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Memorials can be made to Shrines Hospital, Collinsville Memorial Public Library, or to donors choice.

## "Pearl" Williams

"PEARL" (GARRET) WILLIAMS, 89, of Caseyville died Friday, Dec. 26, 1997 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Granite City.

She was born Dec. 4, 1908 in Eddyville, Ky. to William and Betha (Sholar) Garrett. She was a charter member of the Collinsville Eagles Auxiliary and the Hollywood Heights Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. She was a member of the Collinsville Senior Citizens, RSVP Volunteers and the Ladies Pinchle Club for over 50 years. She retired in 1973 as the owner and operator of Williams Market in Hollywood Heights.

Survivors include two daughters, Merle Williams of Caseyville, and Carol Perez of Freeburg, one son, Renaut Williams of Granite City; one brother, Edward Fowler of Dover, Tenn.; four granddaughters, Pamela McDonald of O'Fallon, Debra Thompson of Grand Tower, Alyx Perez of Freeburg, and Katherine Nalick of Alton; one grandson, Robert Williams of Collinsville; five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Williams; her parents; numerous brothers including James Emmitt Fowler and Hiram Fowler; and one sister, Patricia Claycomb.

Visitation will be at Herr Funeral Home Sunday, Dec. 28, from 4 to 8 p.m.

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## Wanda Amos

WANDA LEE (ABRAMS) AMOS, 37, of Sesser, died Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997, at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis.

Ms. Amos, formerly of Belleville, was born Aug. 28, 1960, in Centerville to Arthur and Margaret (Schueler) Amos. She was a former housekeeper for Redwood Manor Nursing Home.

Survivors include her children Charles Ferkel, Amanda "Rosie" Ferkel and Kevin Patrick Amos, all of Sesser; her mother, Margaret (Schueler) Abrams of Belleville; four sisters, Donna Petty of Caseyville, Cheryl Ewen of Belleville, Sue Fulington of Sesser and Sandra Montgomery of Belleville; and one brother, Gary Abrams of Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Kassidy Mortuary in Fairview Heights.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Kassidy Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Ronald Jansen officiating. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery in Fairview Heights.

Memorial donation can be made to Wanda's family c/o Kassidy Mortuary.

## SIBA names officers

Ken Kilian, vice president of The Kilian Corp., Mascoutah, has been elected Southern Illinois Builders Association president.

Other officers are: first vice president, Eugene Keeley, president, Keeley and Sons, East St. Louis; second vice president, Robert Wolf, president, L. Wolf Company, Granite City; and treasurer, Larry Keeley, L. Keeley Construction Co., Saugeat.

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# October slide highlighted 1997

As 1997 approaches the history books, there will be a few financial footnotes of interest to look back upon.

Certainly high on the list will be the October market correction. Coming 10 years and one week after the 1987 debacle, it's as if an alarm clock were set.

Although experts had been warning for several years of a pullback as the market continued higher, the events that led to the October correction were actually somewhat underwhelming.

Our mini-meltdown had its roots in Thailand, where local structural economic problems prompted the Thai government to devalue its currency. This prompted other countries in Southeast Asia to do the same as a measure to protect the competitiveness of exports within the region.

As the currency devaluations spread, a domino effect quickly followed. This eventually caused stock markets to sell off in Hong Kong, Europe and then in the United States.

The U.S. sell-off, while impressive in terms of points off the Dow Jones Industrial Average, is far less so when viewed in percentage terms. It is notable for two reasons, however.

First and foremost is the calm with which individual investors viewed the decline. Most investors maintained the long-term view toward their



Jeff Prosser

investment as a mode of building wealth over time, rather than yielding to the frenzy of the moment. In fact, many investors took advantage of the opportunity to buy additional shares of high-quality stocks at lower prices. No doubt this was a significant cause of the rapid snap back in our markets.

The second interesting aspect of the decline is that it triggered trading halts on the New York Stock Exchange for the first time since their inception after the 1987 crash. Oddly enough, the halts may have added momentum to the decline as traders rushed to the exits before the halts kicked in.

The New York Stock Exchange is currently reviewing these market "collars" to assess their effectiveness.

The Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 is another major event of the past year. The act lowers the capital gains tax and is structured to encourage long-term investing. These provisions should increase investors'

flexibility in managing their portfolios.

The 1997 act also reduces estate taxes and increases the features and flexibility of individual retirement accounts. Combined, all of these provisions are very encouraging for individual investors.

With these events framing the end of 1997, it's worthwhile to note some looming developments that could shape the markets in the early days of 1998.

Asia's problems are expected to worsen before they stabilize, but they should only have a modest effect on the U.S. economy. Exporters will feel the pinch the most. Early estimates are that economic growth in 1998 will be reduced by less than one-half of 1 percent.

The stock market appears to be highly valued based on historical standards because of the current low-inflation environment. However, the economy is still expected to increase 2.5 percent in 1998.

Third-quarter corporate earnings were speckled with downside surprises from some companies, and their stocks sold off dramatically in response. Expect more surprises with fourth-quarter results.

Short-term earnings surprises should not derail investors' long-term goals if the companies they own are fundamentally sound. In fact, such surprises work to the advantage

of long-term investors who done their homework, because they offer an opportunity to add quality companies at lower prices.

Many investors make a habit of reviewing their portfolios at this time of year. In doing so, try to maintain a long-term perspective toward your investments and the investment process. This has proven over and over again to be a far more successful approach than trying to time short-term market swings. The new tax laws make this approach even more compelling.

If you are not currently using a dollar-cost averaging program to invest, consider starting one. Dollar-cost averaging allows an investor to commit a fixed dollar amount to his/her investments at periodic intervals in order to take advantage of market gyrations.

Regardless of your personal approach, maintain an emphasis on investing in financially sound, well-managed companies in businesses you believe in. Mutual funds that share this emphasis are an ideal means to build a diversified portfolio of such companies, as well.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Jeff Prosser is an investment representative for Edward Jones in Granite City.

## Development center offers workshops

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will offer short management courses during the month of January. Workshops on the SIUE campus will meet at University Park in Room 1132.

Workshops, dates and fees include:

**How to Start a Business** — Jan. 6, 13, 20; from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; \$60 fee includes book, "Steps To Small Business Start-Up," with information, forms and worksheets needed for business start-up.

**How to Develop a Business Plan** — Jan. 15, 22, 29; from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. \$80 fee includes book, "Anatomy of a Business Plan," with materials to help write a business plan.

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learn how to use technology to run a small business into a marketing powerhouse; Jan. 14; from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; \$60 fee includes book, "Keeping the Books."

**How to Create New Business** — learn how to position your business; Jan. 14; from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; fee \$50.

**Financing Your Business** — Jan. 21; from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; \$50 fee includes the book, "Mastering Your Small Business Finance." Small Business Tax Issues — an overview of small business tax issues; Jan. 7; from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; fee \$50.

**Pricing Your Products and Services Profitably** — Jan. 26; from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; fee \$50. Additional information about the workshops, locations and registration is available by calling Jane Bagent at 692-2929.

## Poll says fraud big problem in Illinois

According to the latest Illinois CPA Society Opinion Poll regarding corporate fraud, 72 percent of responding members report that fraud is frequently committed in "Corporate America," and nearly half — 47 percent — say it has been committed within a com-

pany/organization where they are or have been employed. The majority of responding members also feel that it is the responsibility of either senior management and/or the CEO of a company/organization to detect and report the fraud when it occurs.

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## MOVERS & SHAKERS

**VICKY WALTON**, realtor associate of CVM Realty in Granite City, has exceeded requirements for receiving the Bronze Award, presented by the Illinois Association of Realtors, for closing 15 units and/or \$1 million in sales for 1997.

**DR. MUHAMMAD JAMIL**, family medicine and bariatrics, attended a seminar titled "An Update on Urology and Osteoporosis" held Nov. 1 at the Washington University School



of Medicine in St. Louis. Jamil has three offices, including 406 Madison Ave. in Madison.

**LYNN RIEGER**, realtor associate of CVM Realty in Granite City, has exceeded requirements for receiving the Platinum Award, presented by the Illinois Association of Realtors,



for closing 45 units and/or \$4 million in sales for 1997.

**TINA STANLEY**, realtor associate with Century 21 Bailey & Co. in Granite City, has reached \$2 million in sales for 1997. As a result she has received the Illinois Association of Realtors' Platinum Award plus the Century 21 Million Dollar Producer Award for two consecutive years.

**BRUCE DEHNTZ**, project manager with the Southern Illinois Manufacturing Extension Center, recently passed the ISO 9000 Certified Lead Auditor Exam in Chicago. As an ISO 9000 lead auditor, DeHntz will conduct independent, third-party audits for companies. He is the son of Gene and Helen DeHntz of Granite City.

**CATHY BUSCH**, realtor associate of CVM Realty in Granite City, has exceeded requirements for receiving the Gold Award, presented by the Illinois Association of Realtors, for closing 35 units and/or \$3 million in sales for 1997. Busch also has received five awards for the Bronze, Silver and Gold awards.

## New Web site for consumers

Washington, D.C. — The first Internet site to provide "one-stop" access to federal consumer information resources is ready for visitors. Located at [www.consumer.gov](http://www.consumer.gov), the site, named **U.S. Consumer Gateway**, offers information by subject, rather than by federal agency.

East of the site's 10 major categories, including Food, Health, Your Money, Product Safety, and Transportation, has its own subject areas, allowing consumers to locate and link to appropriate and late-breaking information quickly and easily. Topics are cross-linked to encourage and enhance access.

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## AREA NEWS

## Police issue 65 citations at checkpoint

By Becky Vollmer  
Telegraph staff writer

Edwardsville police issued 65 citations over the weekend of Dec. 19-21 during a roadside safety check.

The safety operation was held from 11 p.m. Friday to 3 a.m. Saturday. Police monitored northbound traffic in the 1500 block of Troy Road, observing almost 400 cars. One hundred seventy-five of those vehicles were checked, and 65 citations were issued, police said.

Two people were arrested for driving

under the influence, and three citations were given for other alcohol-related offenses, police said.

Police also cited drivers for registration, equipment and driver license offenses, but the majority of the offenses were for both drivers and passengers who failed to wear a seatbelt.

One of the drivers charged with DUI was Thomas M. Beitz, 35, of Penton, Mo. Beitz was stopped around 12:50 a.m. Saturday at the checkpoint, and police said open containers of beer and whiskey were found in his vehicle.

Beitz failed field sobriety tests, and a breath analysis test revealed a blood-alcohol level of .17, more than twice the legal limit. He was cited for DUI, driving with a suspended license, illegal transportation of alcohol and disobeying a police officer.

Information on the other driver charged with DUI was not immediately available, but police said the suspect ran the roadblock. The driver then led police on a short chase, during which the subject took out a railroad crossing light. A breath analysis test on the driver revealed a blood-alcohol level of .10, police said.

## Area officers chase suspect in car, on foot

By Paul Mackie  
Telegraph staff writer

Two area police forces teamed up during last weekend to capture a 21-year-old Collinsville man who led them on a wild car and foot chase.

Glen Carbon police officers clocked Chad Elmore speeding 77 mph in a 55 mph zone in his Jeep Cherokee near the intersection of Bluff Road and Highway 157 at 7:32 a.m. Saturday.

"The subject fled from our officer, went through SIUE and back into Edwardsville. He was going at least 100 mph over the speed limit through most of the chase and knocked a stop sign down in the ESIC subdivision," said Sgt. James Jones of the Glen Carbon Police Department.

Elmore ended up losing control of his vehicle and wrecking it into a wooden containment post at Edwardsville Township Park before being caught by police officers from Glen Carbon and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

But the chase didn't end when Elmore's vehicle struck the post. At that point, he jumped out and fled on foot.

With Patrolman Steven R. Carnes of Glen Carbon and Officer Thomas Gain of SIUE in hot pursuit on foot, Lt. John

Oltmann of SIUE found a way to corner the suspect.

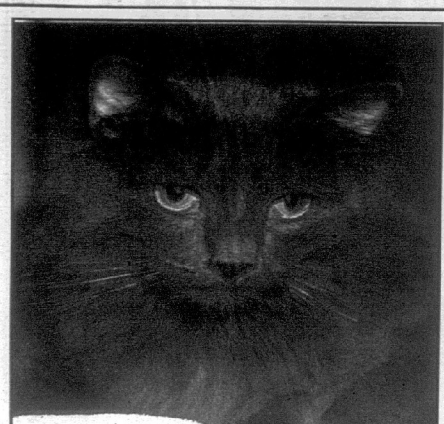
Glen Carbon police charged Elmore with: a misdemeanor charge of resisting a police officer and traffic offenses for fleeing and attempting to elude police, improper lane usage, failure to signal when turning, reckless driving, speeding, disobeying a traffic control

device, driving with a revoked license, use of unsafe tires and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

After he was transported to the Madison County Jail, Elmore was released on a \$300 bond and served with a notice to appear for a Jan. 14 court date. SIUE police also are seeking charges against

Elmore for obstructing a police officer/resisting arrest.

"It's been a while since we've had a chase like that, but we've seen a lot worse (chases)," Jones said. "With the laws being a lot more strict these days, most people just stop. But this subject ran because he said he knew his license was revoked."



Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.

## Pet of the week

This friendly and playful 1-year-old, named "Chip," is among many homeless animals available for adoption from the Madison County Humane Society, Collinsville Shelter. A neutered male, Chip is a gray domestic long hair. To adopt Chip (Kennel C-516), call 344-0109.

## Legislative hopefuls vow clean campaign

By Becky Vollmer  
Telegraph staff writer

Political mudslinging — the defining characteristic of last year's race for the 12th Legislative District seat in the Illinois House — will not be a factor in the campaign leading up to the November election, both candidates pledge.

State Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, promised Tues-

day to run a "clean, issue-oriented campaign" and asked his Republican challenger, Steve Reeb, to do the same.

"The last election for state representative was way too personal and negative. The voters in the 12th District are fed up with negative campaigning."

"Fair campaigning is staying away from personal attacks," Reeb said.

## Federal grant is approved

Money may spur construction of half-way house for homeless

By Paul A. Brinkmann  
Telegraph staff writer

A federal grant announced Monday will spur construction of an \$800,000, 16-unit apartment building that would serve as a half-way house for homeless people in the River Bend, officials said.

U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Bellefonte, notified officials at Behavioral Health Alternatives Inc., 337 W. Ferguson Ave., that it had been approved for a \$563,015 grant for the building from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The location of the building is not set yet, but it will serve as a half-way house for people in crises, most of which stem from mental illness or substance abuse.

Amy Hilgemann, executive director, said she was pleased with the grant, but also felt challenged. The agency has been operating in the Wood River area for 14 years.

"I thought, 'Well, we've got a lot of work to do,'" Hilgemann said. She said Behavioral Health Alternatives once had an option to buy property at the corner of Lorena Avenue and

Whitelaw Street for the building, but the option had expired during the grant approval process.

She said other sites in the River Bend area are being explored.

BHA currently employs 23 people as a crisis emergency shelter with six beds. The grant is a one-time occurrence to help the shelter expand. About \$400,000 would be spent directly on construction, Hilgemann said.

She said the agency may expand by just five jobs when the building is constructed.

The maximum stay of a person in the new apartment building would be two years, during which time job training

and permanent housing would be sought.

The agency already has an \$82,000 supplemental grant from the Illinois Department of Public Aid and is waiting on approval from the Illinois Housing Development Authority for another matching grant.

The \$563,015 grant is part of \$865 million in federal money released by HUD this year as part of the McKinney Homeless Assistance Housing Act.

In a prepared statement, Costello said of the grant: "These federal funds will assist the community in its mission to provide safe and adequate shelter to homeless families, to help them eventually become independent."



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The following is information about Memorial-sponsored support groups. For more information about these groups, call the Community Relations Department at 257-5649.

## DIABETES

A mutual support group comprised of people with diabetes, their families and people who have had their lives affected by diabetes. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month from 9 to 11 a.m. in the hospital auditorium.

## FIBROMYALGIA SYNDROME

This support group is for people with fibromyalgia syndrome (FMS) and their families. FMS is considered to be a widespread musculoskeletal pain and fatigue disorder for

which the cause is still unknown. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. in the auditorium.

## HOPE

Hospital Oncology Patient and Family Education was formed to assist cancer patients, former cancer patients and people who have their lives affected by cancer. The HOPE group meets the last Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. in the auditorium.

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## LUPUS

This support group is affiliated with the Illinois and Missouri Chapters of the Lupus Foundation of America. Meetings are held offering information and insight for coping with lupus on the third Tuesday of each month (except June - September) at 7:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium.

**MENDED HEARTS, INC. - BELLEVILLE CHAPTER**  
Mended Hearts is a volunteer organization consisting of people who have heart disease, their families, medical professionals and other interested people. Additionally, Mended Hearts members form a support group for one another, contributing emotional backing to recovering patients and their families. For more information, call Memorial's Social Service Department at 257-5420.

## NU-VOICE

Conducted in cooperation with American Cancer Society, the Nu-Voice Club is for laryngecto-

mees - people who have had their voice boxes (larynxes) removed. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information about meeting dates and times, call the Speech Pathology Department at 257-5255.

## PULMONARY REHABILITATION

A group for people with diseases of the lung and their families. Individuals with chronic lung disease and their families learn about the disease, as well as share ideas and solutions to their problems. Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month (except June - August) at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

## YOUNG ADULT CANCER

This mutual support group was formed for young adults with cancer and their significant others who are affected by the disease. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.



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## Ex-walk-on Jones kicks way into record book

When it comes to success stories, how about that of Keith Jones of Collinsville?

From a walk-on (he had no scholarship and was not recruited) to a starting place-kicker, Jones became the all-time leading scorer at Western Illinois University where he recently completed his collegiate football career.

In addition to a point total of 267, Jones set school records with most field goals for a career (42) and season (15), most field goals in a game (3, three times), longest field goal (49, 50 twice, and 52), most point after touchdown conversions (14), most PAT's in a season (48) and most PAT's in a game (11).

In the Gateway Conference, his PAT kicks of 10 and 11 were his records while he was the fourth all-time leading scorer for regular season play with 254 points.

From walking onto his first practice in August of 1994, Jones advanced from conference newcomer team to all-conference and even earned

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Danny Ferguson skates in after a pass from Bryan Loftus.

## 'Game in hand' Warriors whip DuBourg 9-4 after icy start

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors were smarting following a loss and a tie in recent Mid-States Club Hockey Association games. That made it a bad time to get in their way.

But that's where DuBourg found itself on Friday, Dec. 19, as Granite City rolled to a lopsided 9-4 win.

### MSCHA HOCKEY

The Warriors improved to 6-1-1 on the year. DuBourg scored first, at 14:44 of the initial period, as coach Dave Yurkovich started an inexperienced line on the opening shift.

"We started a little sloppy," said Yurkovich. "I anticipated that DuBourg was going to be a weak opponent by virtue of the scores I had seen in the paper. So I wanted to give a

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## Switching gears 'Wizard' backs NASCAR team

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Only a wizard could have pulled it off.

Former St. Louis Cardinal star Ozzie Smith, a future Hall of Famer, has shifted gears. The Wizard is the big-time name behind the newly formed Wizard Motorsports, the first St. Louis-based NASCAR circuit team.

"They say that the average person will go through three or four occupations in a lifetime," said Smith, who was in Granite City on Dec. 15 for an autograph session at Winner's Cir-

### RACING

cle Race Team. Store, 4100 Nameki Road. "So, I'm just working on my next one."

It may be that the only connection between baseball and auto racing is speed. But Smith sees another, more basic connection.

"A lot of people don't think that drivers in motor sports are athletes, but I do," Smith said. "I see that it takes coordination, determination and a great deal of organization to be able to withstand what a driver is called on to withstand. It takes incredible con-

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## Chasing his goal at full speed

Teen is driving force on squad

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Justin Via is an 16-year-old high school senior with one basic philosophy about life.

That philosophy is printed on a sticker on the inside right of his modified midjet race car. It reads simply, "Don't Brake 'Til You See God."

Via, in only his fourth year of open wheel racing, burst

onto the scene with a spectacular rookie season.

As a 14-year-old, he captured seven feature wins, 10 trophy dash victories, track championships in his class at the Southern Illinois Raceway in Marion, fourth place in Region II (Illinois and Indiana) and won Rookie of the Year honors.

"When I was a kid, I always dreamed of playing in the

(See VIA, Page 3B)

### HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

## High-voltage squads Peoria Central, Manual storm area classic

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Holiday tournaments are a heady time for high school basketball fans, and one of the best of the bunch involves seven area teams.

The Collinsville-Schnucks Holiday Classic is slated for Monday through Wednesday at Varsity Fletcher Gymnasium.

Games begin daily at 8:30 a.m. except Wednesday when all games are moved up one-half hour. This allows an earlier start for the championship game (6 p.m.) on New Year's Eve.

Once-beaten Peoria Central comes to Collinsville as the favorite of the 16-team tourney. The Lions' lone loss came at the hands of cross-town rival Manual, the four-time defending class AA champion in Illinois and the state's second-ranked team in the coaches pre-season poll.

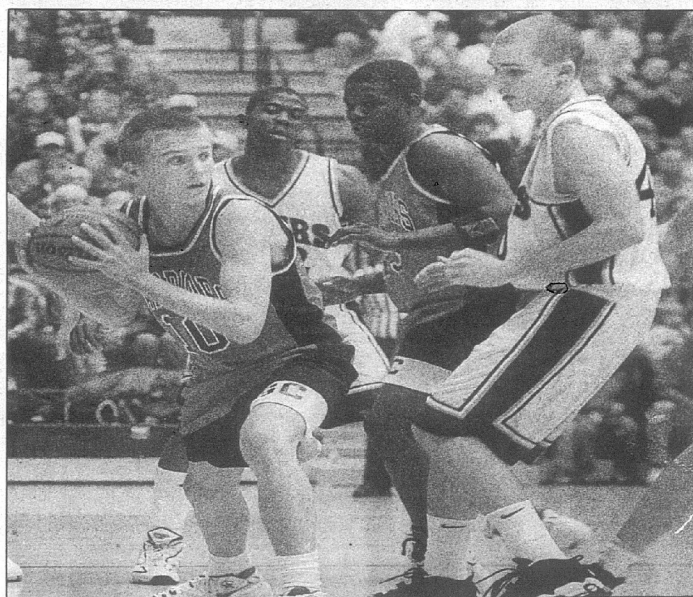
Chuck Buescher's team won the Collinsville Classic in 1993 and '94 and won the state championship once — in 1977.

The Quincy Blue Devils, under the direction of veteran coach Loren Wallace, grabbed the No. 2 seed and hope to add a fourth Classic title to their holiday portfolio. Quincy is coming off a 21-7 campaign and is fueled by 6-foot-5 center Luis Rivas and Kori Douglas.

Jacksonville is a spotless 7-0 on the year, and seeded third in the tournament. Long-time Crimson coach Mel Roustio has the tournament's tallest player is 6-10 center Marty Parry, who is cashing in nearly 20 points an outing.

Collinsville, as the home team, nabbed the fourth seed and will have serious problems living up to that billing.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

## Gibault seeded tops in tourney

### BOYS BASKETBALL COLUMBIA HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

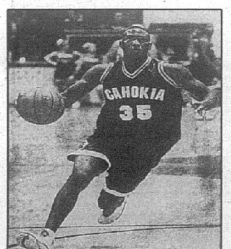
The Columbia Holiday Tournament boasts a staggered schedule with games on Saturday and Monday and Tuesday. Venice and Dupro are in the power-laden upper bracket and could meet in the first semifinal game on Tuesday. But getting that far won't be easy, especially for the Red Devils of coach Clinton Harris Jr.

Venice, seeded ninth, plays the second morning game on Saturday (11:30 a.m.) against host Columbia, seeded eighth. If the Red Devils counter the home-court advantage and move on in the winner's bracket, top-seeded Waterloo Gibault looms on the quarterfinal horizon.

Dupro is seeded fourth in the 16-team affair and faces a first-round skirmish with New Athens at 1 p.m. Saturday. If seedings hold, Dupro should advance to a second-round

(See COLUMBIA, Page 3B)

Granite City will look to players like point guard Zack May to help the team advance in the Collinsville-Schnucks Holiday Classic. Other area squads in the tourney include East St. Louis Lincoln, Madison and Belleville East.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

## Cahokia, Alton shooting for upset in Centralia tourney

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

East St. Louis Senior, Cahokia, Alton and Belleville West are the area's lone hopes in the 55th annual Centralia Holiday Tournament, Dec. 29-31.

The bottom bracket is power-laden at Centralia, home to the host Orphans as well as both Alton and Cahokia.

Alton plays the 4:15 p.m. game on Monday against Salem, and is followed

by Cahokia against Chicago Marist at 7 p.m. A win by both the Redbirds and the Comanches would set up a winner's bracket rematch between the two teams that battled it out in the last game of the Alton River Bend Tip Off Classic. Alton came from way back to clip Cahokia 79-78 in that one.

Both Belleville West and East Side are in the upper bracket. The Flyers tangle with Bartlett, Tenn., at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, while the Maroons face Tilghman High School out of Paducah, Ky., at 2:45 p.m.

The schedule of games at Centralia is as follows:

9 a.m. - Champaign Central vs. Homewood Flossmoor.

10:30 a.m. - Bartlett, Tenn., vs. East

St. Louis Senior.

1:15 p.m. - Mt. Vernon vs. Memphis

Craigmont, Tenn.

2:45 p.m. - Paducah Tilghman, Ky.,

vs. Belleville West.

4:15 p.m. - Alton vs. Salem.

7 p.m. - Chicago Marist vs. Cahokia.

8:30 p.m. - Centralia vs. Chicago Mt.

Carmel.

10 p.m. - McEachern, Ga., vs. Chicago

Carver.

Fifteenth ranked Mt. Vernon is the pre-tournament favorite, but should be seriously challenged by the highly regarded Orphans. Neither Alton nor Cahokia can be taken lightly and either, or both, could be the surprise team of Southern Illinois' most prestigious Christmas tournament.

In other key holiday tournaments state-wide:

The Proviso West Holiday Tournament welcomes four ranked teams, including No. 5 Chicago King and No. 6 Oak Park Fenwick. But both Maywood Proviso East and Westchester St. Joseph could upset the favorites' apple carts. Proviso West has a history of producing annual surprises and eventual state champions, so watch out for the survivor of the brutal four-day affair, Dec. 26, 27, 29, 30.

At Carbondale, the Terriers host the 34th annual holiday extravaganza Dec. 29-31. The 16-team double-elimination tournament boasts teams from four different states, and that makes the out-

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# SPORTS

## WRESTLING — GRANITE CITY HOLIDAY WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

### PAST CHAMPIONS

#### Tournament Champions

Year	Team	Coach
1961	Granite City	William "Red" Schmitt
1962	Granite City	William "Red" Schmitt
1963	Sterling	Carson DeJarnett
1964	Granite City	William "Red" Schmitt
1965	Granite City	William "Red" Schmitt
1966	Decatur Stephen	Terry Simon
1967	Sterling	Carson DeJarnett
1968	Granite City	William "Red" Schmitt
1969	E. St. Louis Lincoln	McNary Waters
1970	E. St. Louis Lincoln	McNary Waters
1971	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1972	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1973	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1974	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1975	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1976	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1977	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1978	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1979	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1980	Granite City South	William "Red" Schmitt
1981	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1982	Granite City North	Walt Whitaker
1983	Riverview Gardens	Paul Lapinski
1984	Roxana	Larry Milazzo
1985	Granite City	Walt Whitaker
1986	Bloomington	Jim Ledbetter
1987	Cahokia	Russ Baum
1988	Cahokia	Russ Baum
1989	McCluer North	Charlie Sherertz
1990	McCluer North	Charlie Sherertz
1991	Granite City	Mike Garland
1992	Oakville	Rocky Streb
1993	Granite City	Mike Garland
1994	Granite City	Mike Garland
1995	Granite City	Mike Garland
1996	Civic Memorial	Steve Bradley

### TEAM HONORS

#### Individual Champions By School

79	Granite City (High School/South)
35	Cahokia
28	Riverview Gardens
25	Sterling
24	McCluer North
19	Bethalto Civic Memorial
18	Belleville East
18	Roxana
18	Hazelwood Central
17	Granite City North
17	Decatur Stephen
12	East St. Louis
11	Carbondale
11	Pekin
11	East St. Louis Lincoln
10	Champaign Central
10	Oakville
5	Francis Howell North
5	Edwardsville
5	Wood River
4	O'Fallon
4	Mount Zion
4	Vandalia
4	Ritenour
3	Normandy
3	Jacksonville
3	Peoria Richwoods
2	Mattoon
2	Belleville West
2	Springfield Lanphier
1	Belleville Althoff
1	Alton
1	Decatur Eisenhower
1	Quincy
1	Savannah
1	Springfield High School
1	Elgin
1	Vandalia

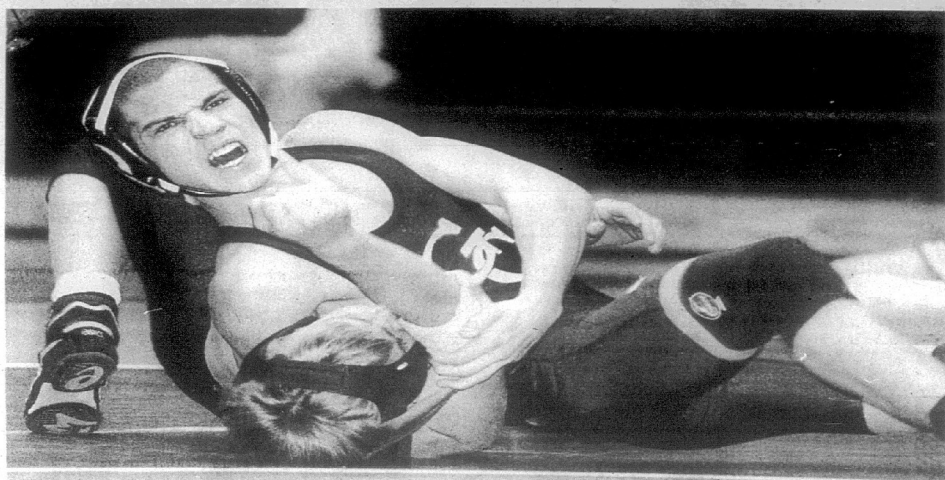
#### Individual Champions By School, Single Year

7	Sterling (1963)
7	Granite City (1964)
3	Granite City (1965)
3	Granite City South (1974)
3	Cahokia (1988)
3	Granite City (1962)
3	Champaign Central (1986)
3	Granite City North (1982)
3	Bethalto Civic Memorial (1996)

### TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Multiple Team Titles

10	Granite City High School and Granite City South (1961, '62, '64, '65, '66, '73, '74, '76, '77, '78, '80, '85, '91, '93, '94, '95).
6	Riverview Gardens (1971, '72, '75, '79, '81, '83).
2	Sterling (1963, '67).
2	East St. Louis Lincoln (1969, '70).
2	Cahokia (1987, '88).
2	McCluer North (1989, '90).



Granite City's Ike Newman tries to maintain control.

(Staff photo by SCOTT COUSINS)

### COACHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Coaches With Multiple Championships

11	William "Red" Schmitt, Granite City High School and Granite City South (1961, '62, '64, '65, '68, '73, '74, '76, '77, '78, '80, '83).
6	Paul Lapinski, Riverview Gardens (1971, '72, '75, '79, '81, '83).
4	Mike Garland, Granite City (1991, '93, '94, '95).
2	Carson DeJarnett, Sterling (1963, '67).
2	McNary Waters, East St. Louis Lincoln (1969, '70).
2	Walt Whitaker, Granite City High School and Granite City North (1982, '85).
2	Russ Baum, Cahokia (1987, '88).
2	Charlie Sherertz, McCluer North (1989, '90).

#### Coaches With Consecutive Championships

3	William "Red" Schmitt, Granite City South (1976, '77, '78).
3	Mike Garland, Granite City (1993, '94, '95).
2	William "Red" Schmitt, Granite City High School and Granite City South (3 times).
2	McNary Waters, East St. Louis Lincoln (1969, '70).
2	Paul Lapinski, Riverview Gardens (1971, '72).
2	Russ Baum, Cahokia (1987, '88).
2	Charlie Sherertz, McCluer North (1989, '90).

### SCHEDULE

#### 37th annual Granite City Holiday Wrestling Tournament

#### FIRST SESSION

(11 a.m. Monday)

All first round matches, plus second round of 103 pounds through 140 pounds.

#### SECOND SESSION

(6 p.m. Monday)

Second round matches for 145 pounds through 275 pounds, and all third round matches.

#### FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP SESSION

(11 a.m. Tuesday)

Four Mats

#### FINALS CHAMPIONSHIP SESSION

(Tuesday)

5 p.m. — Third- and Fifth-Place Matches (Two Mats).  
8 p.m. — Introduction of Championship Contestants.  
8:15 p.m. — Championship Matches (One Mat).

### MULTIPLE CHAMPIONS HONOR ROLL

#### Individual Multiple Champions Honor Roll

THREE-TIME CHAMPIONS	
Rich Bledsoe, Granite City (1962, '63, '64)	
Bill Fitch, Granite City (1964, '65, '66)	
Rusty Cunningham, Decatur Stephen (1966, '67, '68)	
Mark Malley, Decatur Stephen (1966, '67, '68)	
John Zemke, Sterling (1967, '68, '70)	
Gertt Miller, Granite City North (1978, '79, '80)	
Dean Perkins, Granite City South (1978, '79, '80)	
Demetrius Jordan, McCluer North (1989, '90, '91)	
Rick Cusumano, Hazelwood Central (1992, '93, '94)	
T.J. Slay, Granite City (1982, '93, '94)	
Travis Zimmerman, Bethalto Civic Memorial (1993, '94, '95).	
TWO-TIME CHAMPIONS	
Reggie Coates, Belleville East (1962, '63)	
Jim Valicoff, Granite City (1964, '65)	
Jon Dancy, East St. Louis Lincoln (1968, '69)	
Ty McMillan, Decatur Stephen (1969, '70)	
Brian Hill, Bloomington (1971, '72)	
Jim Paulsen, Riverview Gardens (1971, '72)	
Mark Jordine, Bloomington (1972, '73)	
Bob Baldwin, Belleville East (1972, '73)	
Bob Taylor, Pekin (1974, '75)	
Steve Koch, Belleville East (1975, '77)	
Kris Whelan, Granite City North (1976, '77)	
Sam Perkins, Granite City South (1976, '78)	
Herman Smith, Riverview Gardens (1977, '78)	
Randy Taylor, Pekin (1979, '80)	
Greg Hampton, Hazelwood Central (1980, '81)	
Rob Milazzo, Roxana (1981, '82)	
Colin Davis, Granite City North (1983, '84)	
Kip Kristoff, Bethalto Civic Memorial (1983, '84)	
Bryan Patterson, Granite City North (1983, '84)	
Eric Roberson, Roxana (1983, '85)	
Kevin Byrd, Cahokia (1983, '84)	
Vince Black, Bloomington (1983, '84)	
Rick Ecks, Hazelwood Central (1984, '85)	
Walter Davis, Hazelwood Central (1984, '85)	
Ken Amidon, Riverview Gardens (1984, '85)	
Kim Arendell, Belleville East (1985, '86)	
Bruce Harris, Belleville West (1987, '88)	
Abby Myers, Cahokia (1987, '89)	
Tony Williams, Riverview Gardens (1987, '88)	
Nehmia Sing, Cahokia (1988, '89)	
Jon Ward, Cahokia (1988, '90)	
Gon Roberts, Cahokia (1990, '91)	
Luke Hake, Oakville (1990, '91)	
Jerry Heuschman, Granite City (1990, '91)	
Ryan King, Granite City (1990, '91)	
Matt Konip, Francis Howell North (1990, '92)	
Luther Gilmer, Cahokia (1991, '92)	
Chris Hogan, Granite City (1992, '93)	
Tony Bucher, Granite City (1992, '93)	
Jeremy Christeson, Bethalto Civic Memorial (1993, '94)	
Cornell Robinson, McCluer North (1993, '94)	
Nick Burrows, O'Fallon (1993, '94)	
Titus Taylor, Cahokia (1993, '94)	

## STANDINGS

### METRO EAST HOCKEY

Southern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Granite City	3-0-1	5-0-1	25 4
Belleville West	4-1-0	5-1-0	21 10
Alton	3-2-0	4-2-0	32 7
Collinsville	2-3-0	2-4-0	19 30
Cahokia	1-3-1	1-3-1	8 20
O'Fallon	0-2-1	1-2-1	8 10
Belleville East	0-2-1	1-2-1	15 18
Northern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Alton	4-0-1	4-1-1	21 8
Marquette	0-1-2	0-2-2	9 9
Roxana	2-0-3	3-0-15	6 9
Edwardsville	1-1-1	1-2-15	10 19
Civic Memorial	0-1-1	1-1-8	9 9
Wood River	0-1-1	0-2-1	18 18
Piasa SW	0-2-0	0-2-1	31 31

### GIRLS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Edwardsville	4-0	4-1	21 8
Belleville East	4-1	4-2	21 8
Alton	2-1	4-2	21 8
Collinsville	2-2	6-9	43 24
Belleville West	2-2	2-7	20 22
Granite City	1-4	1-10	14 10
St. Louis	0-4	1-9	10 24

### Mississippi Valley

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Highland	3-0	4-2	21 8
Jerseyville	2-0	6-1	21 8
Civic Memorial	2-1	6-4	21 8
Mascoutah	2-1	5-5	21 8
Waterloo	0-2	2-9	21 8
Triad	0-4	0-7	21 8

### Cahokia

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Carlyle	4-0	8-1	21 8
Breese C.	3-0	10-0	21 8
Freeburg	2-0	8-4	21 8
Westlin	3-1	6-4	21 8
Lebanon	2-2	4-6	21 8
Dupo	4-7	1-3	21 8
Columbia	0-1	3-7	21 8
New Athens	0-3	1-8	21 8
Red Bud	0-4	1-9	21 8

### South Seven

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Freeburg	3-0	10-0	21 8
O'Fallon	3-0	10-0	21 8
Cahokia	0-2	0-5	21 8

### Independents

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Lincoln	7-0	7-0	21 8
Marquette	10-1	10-1	21 8
Oakville	6-1	7-2	21 8
Mater Del	6-3	7-4	21 8
ME Lutheran	2-2	8-9	21 8
Gibault	2-2	8-9	21 8
Wood River	1-4	1-10	21 8
Althoff	0-4	1-9	21 8
Roxana	0-5	5-6	21 8

### Women's College

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Red Bud	3-7	2-1	5-1
Westlin	2-1	1-1	2-4
New Athens	0-1	0-1	2-6
Columbia	8-1	0-2	4-4
Marissa	0-2	0-2	2-5
Freeburg	7-3	0-2	0-8

### South Seven

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Centralia	2-0	8-1	5-1
O'Fallon	1-1	5-3	5-1
Cahokia	0-1	4-4	5-1

### Independents

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
Rolla	5-0	8-0	8-2
Gibault	0-0	8-2	8-2
Verona	2-2	2-2	8-2
Lincoln	1-1	4-4	8-2
Mater Del	2-5	3-3	8-2
ME Lutheran	6-4	3-3	8-2
Oakville	2-6	2-3	8-2
Wood River	0-3	4-5	8-2
Madison	3-1	3-6	8-2
Althoff	2-4	3-5	8-2
Valmeyer	2-6	3-5	8-2
Lovjoy	1-7	0-4	8-2

### Men's College

Team	Conf	Overall	GP GA
SIUE	2-0	5-1	8-2
Fontbonne	2-1	7-2	8-2
BAC	2-1	8-3	8-2
St. Louis U.	2-1	8-3	8-2
Illinois	1-2	8-3	8-2
McKendree	2-1	13-4	8-2

## SCOOP DU JOUR

Baseball coaching clinic The Granite City Park District and Granite City High School baseball announce a cooperative Baseball Coaching Clinic on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 27 & 28 at Granite City High School Memorial Gymnasium. Sessions run from 6:15-8:30 p.m.

Instructors, drills and demonstrations only will highlight both evening sessions. Topics to be covered include pitching, catching, outfield play, infield play (by position), hitting and bunting. Registration is underway at the Granite City Park District office. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$15 for players (7 years old and up), \$20 for an adult and a player, and \$25 for a family (more than two). Enrollment is limited.

Volunteer instructors include Kirk Champion, Chicago White Sox pitching coach with three years experience, nine as a college pitching coach; Keith Champion, a major league advance scout for the Chicago Cubs with 15 years experience, also a former player, coach and manager; Bob Champion, former GCHS high school coach (1974-80) and former major league scout; Fred Bob Stegmeier, a former GCHS coach (1974-93) and former professional player.

ALL proceeds will be shared equally by the baseball programs at Granite City High School and the Granite City Park District.

**Fernandez new AD** Granite City native Dave Fernandez has been named Associate Director of Metro FC, a professionally run soccer club based in the Troy-Edwardsville area of Southern Illinois. A 1981 graduate of Granite City South High School and a member of Granite City's Soccer Hall of Fame, fans will remember him for his ball wizardry and unprecedented creative flair. Following the four state championships won by the Warriors while Dave attended South, he started for four years, and was captain at Saint Louis University. Since leaving SLU, Fernandez has won three state championships as a high school coach in Louisville, Ky.

Most recently, he was the head soccer coach at Bellarmine College and was the Coaching Director at Mockingbird Valley Soccer Club.

**Golf scramble** The Legacy scramble a three-person scramble on January 1, 1998 with a 10 a.m. shot gun start. The scramble will be flighted based on the number of teams. The cost is \$45 per player and includes green fee, cart and 18 holes of golf. A skins game, for \$5 per person, is optional.



## •Upset

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come hard to read. Pinckneyville could be the pick of the upper bracket, with Springfield and Carbondale the best Illinois hopes in the bottom bracket.

In the granddaddy of them all, the oldest continuous holiday tournament in the nation at Pontiac, three teams enter

Monday's action with records still untarnished. Leading the pack, and grabbing the tournament's top seed, is four-time defending Illinois class AA state champion Peoria Manual. The Rams have owned the Pontiac Tournament for the past 12 years and don't appear ready to give up their claim to the most prestigious holiday tournament title in the state.

## Wanted: Stats, standings

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## •Art

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honorably mention All-America in one national publication in 1996.

All that plus an even more impressive gesture that came after Western closed its season with an 11-2 record in a 14-12 loss to McNeese State in the second round of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

Despite playing conditions of 24-degree weather and 10-mile-an-hour winds at Hanson Field Stadium in Macomb, Jones connected on second quarter field goals of 24 and 32 yards to account for half of the Leatherneck points. Realize that the McNeese State kicker missed a 17-yard attempt earlier in the second quarter of the Dec. 6 game.

Appropriately after the game, Jones' teammates awarded him the game ball

not just for his efforts in the final game (that ended after Western's two-point passing attempt failed in the fourth quarter) but for an incredible season and career.

In the first round of the playoffs, Jones' 26-yard FG in the fourth quarter helped clinch a 31-24 victory over Jackson State in a game in which he also booted four extra points.

Will the 6-foot-3, 195-pound son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jones of Collinsville follow his graduation in May with an attempt at professional football? That's the kind of thing dreams are made of, especially those that follow a collegiate career that began with the courage to ask for a chance.

Coincidentally, Macomb has been the preseason practice site of the St. Louis Rams, who certainly should be aware of the importance of a field goal kicker.

## •Wizard

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concentration to drive a race car in a major race. It probably takes more concentration than it does to play baseball — in many ways. Driving a race car requires all the things required to be a professional athlete in any sport."

Smith admits to being a race fan, always at a distance until now.

"I've never driven a race car, never even been inside one," said Smith. "The fastest I've ever driven is about 80 mph. I've always had a fascination with speed. I've always enjoyed fast cars. Actually, I had a Ferrari once, but the fastest I ever drove it was 80 mph."

"Real racing I've only seen from a distance. But I'm in the middle of it now, though its

partner with Channel 5's Malcolm Briggs in Sable Productions, is looking forward to the upcoming NASCAR races and to his new career in the racing field.

"The best thing about being out of baseball is that I have the opportunity to spend more time with my family and to enjoy them," Smith said. "That was an important factor in my decision to retire from the game. People often ask me why I don't do more games. I tell them that if I wanted to keep a baseball schedule, I might as well not have retired. So, I don't want to get too involved in baseball — at least, not at this time. I think it's important that I pull myself back from it a little bit because it's been a part of my life for so long, and it's consumed so much of my life."

"It didn't take much for Rod (Wortham) to sell me his pitch," Smith remembered. "Will you be at the people involved — people like Rod and people like Harry Rainer, who is renowned in the business and when you consider that the group is St. Louis based, it made the decision to come on board a very easy decision."

Smith, who is also a business

## •Via

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NBA," said Via, who is also a star basketball player for Marion High School. "But when I started racing at the age of 14, it just got in my blood. Racing is my life now. I don't want to do anything else. I've now moved up to sprint cars, and I'm anticipating a great career in racing."

Rod Wortham, president of AMC Marketing and 20 per cent owner of Wizard Motorsports, said:

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## •Columbia

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game with the fifth-seeded Lebanon Greyhounds. The surprising Jaxonsa Shells are the second seed and are expected to emerge from a well-balanced lower bracket. The Shells should easily handle

opening game foe Freeburg, and then would meet Affton or Bethalto Civic Memorial.

Red Bud is seeded third, but will probably face a stiff challenge from the Staunton Bulldogs in Monday's quarterfinals. Staunton is favored against Valmeyer in Saturday's last game.

Saturday's and Monday's games begin at 8 a.m. and conclude with 8:30 p.m. contests. Tuesday action kicks off

with the consolation semifinals at 9 a.m. The championship semifinals are at 12 and 1:30 p.m.

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Don't Miss: Slam Dunk World Record Holder Michael "Wild Thing" Wilson

OVERTIME: In determining a winner, I do not recall seeing anything similar to the recent Butch Talley men's collegiate basketball Classic in Davenport, Iowa, where McKendree gained a title based on field goal accuracy.

To reach an unbeaten status on the second day of the classic, McKendree and Concordia, Neb., each gained 100-97 victories with the Bearcats topping Mount St. Clare in overtime and Concordia edging St. Ambrose in regulation.

To determine the champ, final game shooting was the key factor and McKendree's 36 of 63 for .571 prevailed over Concordia's 30 of 65 for .462 percent. Cats' 6-6 junior forward Tony Lara was the key ingredient with 13 of 18 from the field to help him earn all-tourney honors with another Chicagoan 6-6 senior Andre Taylor, who was named MVP.

FOOTNOTE: Hidden in the St. Louis U. men's 57-51 win over Illinois: 4 of 5 field goal shooting and four rebounds by Billiken freshman Chris Heinrich in 16 minutes of play in a game in which each team was 17 of 31 from the field. Heinrich also has the least minutes played of the nine Bills used in the game.

RIM SHOT: Regardless of how you look at it, I have no problem with Collinsville giving itself an "automatic seed" for its annual boys holiday basketball tournament. And, regarding a No. 4 seed, some fans may question the Kahoka opening against first-time tourney entrant Waterloo and being in the same bracket with Madison and Decatur Eisenhower, another first-time entry.

Yet, isn't that part of the benefits of being a host — one with an eye on attendance?

"Racing is not the passion to me that baseball was. Like I said, I've observed it only from a distance and I'm just now learning the intricacies of the sport. But now I have the opportunity to learn the sport from the ground floor, and I'm looking forward to it."

With Ozzie's career now moving in a different direction, the question remains as to whether or not there will one day be a distance between dad's place on the baseball field.

"I have one child who is probably as interested in baseball as I was," said Smith. "And that's something I didn't want to force on the kids. I wanted them to be able to make their own decisions. But they know that whatever they decide to do, I'm going to be there to support them."

student, albeit one of a growing celebrity status.

When I first started racing, most of the kids I go to school with at Marion didn't think much about it," said Via. "But now that I'm enjoying a lot of success, they're wanting T-shirts and autographs. I've become kind of a mini-celebrity to them."

"The thing I like most about racing is the fans," Via said. "Seeing a people wearing my shirts and wanting my autographs is a big deal to me. I really enjoy it."

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Granite City's Jon Burns, No. 19, skates in after a deflected shot heads to the boards.

## •Hockey

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lot of our inexperienced players as much ice time as possible. I started some young players on the first shift. That first goal was simply the result of inexperience at work. I wasn't worried though, because I knew we had the game in hand."

Bobby Harris proved such confidence to be accurate when he took a feed from Bryan Loftus off a face off at 13:39 and back-handed a shot past the DuBourg goalie, knotting the score at 1-1.

At 11:36, Bobby Pritchard stole the puck, skating in on goal and fired a shot into the net for a 2-1 Warriors lead. Granite City had been playing two men short at the time.

With 1:14 left in the first period, Pritchard passed the puck to Jon Burns, whose power play score gave Granite City a 3-1 cushion after one period.

The lead jumped to 4-1 at 11:06 of the second period when Pritchard picked up his second goal of the game of an assist from defenseman Clayton Warren. Just one minute and two seconds later, Todd McQueen won a faceoff in the DuBourg end and sent the puck to Loftus, whose slap shot gave the Warriors their second power play goal and a comfortable 5-1 advantage.

At 3:16 of the second period, DuBourg scored on a five-on-three power play, cutting the Granite City lead to 5-2. But McQueen scored a short-handed goal just 92 seconds later, stealing the puck at the red line, attacking the goal and faking the keeper out of position for an easy point. The third period ended with the Warriors in command 6-2.

Loftus took a faceoff pass from Pritchard at 11:24 of the final period, pushing Granite City in front 7-2. DuBourg countered at 8:42 to make it a 7-3 game, but Ty Suhre took a

pinpoint pass from Bobby Scott and converted it into a goal and an 8-3 Warriors lead.

At the 2:09 mark, Kyle Hensley scored off assists from Danny Forgunson and Greg Boyer for a 9-3 lead. DuBourg closed out the scoring with 1:42 to play, leaving the Warriors in front 9-4 at the final horn.

"It was hard for us to get going tonight," said Yurkovich. "We were coming off a pair of poor performances, and it didn't help that we were up against a relatively poor team. That made it hard to bounce back with a lot of intensity. We played alright. It was an OK performance. But I would have hoped for a stronger opponent. We would have played much better."

"We'll get a good test against Parkway West. That will tell us just how far we've come. But it was good to get a lot of young players a lot of ice time. That's what we set out to do, and we accomplished it."

## •Storm

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Key area teams in the title hunt include East St. Louis Lincoln, coached by Bennie Lewis and powered by 6-7 sophomore Darius Miles and 6-5 Terrence Slater; Granite City, coached by John VanBuren and led by 6-4 Chris Tindall and 6-5 Dustin Brewer underneath, and point guard Zack May; the A Collins-coached Madison team with all-state sensation Maurice Baker; and Belleville East's Lancers, who were deserving of a second seed but were bumped to fifth and face a

potential quarterfinal showdown with Peoria Central.

Pairings and game times for Monday's opening session are:

East St. Louis vs. St. Jacob Triad at 9 a.m.

Granite City vs. Jacksonville at 10:30 a.m.

O'Fallon vs. Decatur MacArthur at 1 p.m.

Quincy vs. Urbana at 2:30 p.m.

Peoria Central vs. Chatham Glenwood at 4 p.m.

Belleville East vs. Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin at 7 p.m.

Collinsville vs. Waterloo at 8:30 p.m.

Madison vs. Decatur Eisen-

hower at 10 p.m.

Consolation semifinals are at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Wednesday, with championship semifinals following at 12:30 and 2 p.m. The consolation championship is at 3:30 p.m. with the third-place game at 6:30 p.m. and the championship game at 8 p.m.

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## Family of volunteers

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary #53 in Granite City presented a donation to the Make a Wish Foundation. From left are DAVA volunteers Brenda Daniels, Charlie McMillion, Bernice Roberts, Mary Scarsdale, Wilma Dortch, Nancy Colby, Commander Sandra Koelker of Creations by Sandie, Make a Wish chairwoman Mary Ann Murphy, John Hagen and bingo chairwoman Harlene Gibson.

## Nameoki women celebrate Christmas holiday

The Nameoki Women's Club held their annual Christmas party Dec. 17 at the Central Christian Church. A lunch was served by the ladies of the church. After lunch, there was entertainment by the Granite City High Swing Choir with a selection of music from the 1950s and Christmas songs. Attendance prizes of live poinsettia plants were awarded to Elsie Rodell, Edna Forcade.

Lu Fabor, Mildred Jungels, Bela Wade and Glenna Eaton. Those also attending were Delores Allen, Mildred Branding, Mabel Gertsch, Doris Greve, Maxine Maas, Marian Martz, Marian Shelton and Lisa Fanning. There were also two guests, Betty Epperson and Dorothy Valerius. The next meeting will be at noon on Jan. 21 at the Harold Brown Building.

## Auxiliary announces pantry shower

Venice-Madison Unit 307, American Legion Auxiliary, held its meeting on Nov. 4, 1997 at Post 307. LeVera Johnson was hostess and served 14 members lunch. Dorothy Hinson, president, conducted the business meeting. Mary Hellingier, Americanism chairman, asked if everyone voted. Majority did vote. Pauline Mersinger, Auxiliary Emergency Fund Chairman, collected for this fund. Bette Nugent, National Security Chairman, announced a pantry shower for the U.S.O. at the district meeting in January. Frances Cowley, Past Presidents Chairman, told plans for Christmas Party at the next meeting. No exchange of gifts but a donation will be made to the Nursing Home bingo fund by all members present then. The Past Presidents will be the hostess group.

Mary Ballentine, V.A. and R. chairman, reported sending cards to ill members and sympathy to three members.

Dorothy Hinson, V.A. and R. co-chairman, announced the party for the John Cochran V.A., which was on Nov. 20. Unit visited patients with bedside refreshments.

Dorothy Hinson, Associate Hospital Representative for John Cochran V.A., announced the plans for the month of December. Volunteers will help with these special projects.

Attendance prize was won by Dorothy Landfried. Bingo games were not held after this meeting, but donations were given for the nursing home bingos.

## Omicron chapter donates to Toys for Tots

The Illinois Omicron Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority held its first meeting of December in the home of Joyce Alexander on Dec. 3. Five members were present: Evelyn Tolliver, Imogene Forrest, Arlene Haldeman, Lora Mae Lombardi and the hostess.

The business meeting was conducted by the president, Evelyn Tolliver. A \$25 donation was forwarded to the Salvation Army for the annual "Tree of Lights" campaign.

The Dec. 17 meeting was in the home of Arlene Haldeman. The group enjoyed a social hour with hors d'oeuvres and a Christmas gift exchange prior to the business meeting.

Members brought toys for Don's Hardware's "Toys for Tots" Christmas toy drive. A business meeting was presided

over by president Evelyn Tolliver. Alice Konieczny won a Make-It-Or-Bake-It raffle. The item provided by Evelyn Tolliver, was a Christmas basket made by her daughter-in-law, Jane Tolliver.

Delores Dortch gave a review of the book "A Different Kind of Christmas" by Alex Haley. Eight members attended the meeting: Imogene Forrest, Pat Tsigolaroff, Juanita Calve, Joyce Alexander as well as those already mentioned.

On Nov. 22, Arlene Haldeman, Joyce Alexander, Evelyn Tolliver and Imogene Forrest viewed gingerbread creations along East Main Street in Belleville during the annual Gingerbread Walk.

The walk was followed by hot chocolate and cappachino at the Original Pie Pantry.

## 5 generations times 2



Two pairs of five generations met earlier this year in Granite City. Pictured here, clockwise from left, are: Frank D. Humphreys of Granite City, grandfather; Luella Humphreys of Madison, great-grandmother; Eric Humphreys of Granite City, father; and Ruby Voss of Granite City, great-great-grandmother, holding Shawn Tyler.



Shown here are: Wendy Robinson of Fort Benning, Ga., mother; Luella Humphreys of Madison, great-grandmother; Robert E. Humphreys of Bloomington, Ill., grandfather; and Ruby Voss of Granite City, great-great-grandmother, holding Chance Joshua Robinson.

## Ruth Group members give baskets, sing

The Ruth Group of the Christian Women's Fellowship of Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road, met at the home of Nancy Rivenburgh for the November meeting.

Plans were made for Christmas baskets to be sent to families in need.

Those present were: Nancy Rivenburgh, hostess; Betty Ebrecht, Doris Edwards, Chairman; Sharon Calveay, Joyce Sawyer, and Helen Stumpe.

Christmas presents were planned for four shut-ins and two college students for whom the group is responsible.

Board members of the group volunteered to help with the

care and share food distribution at the Community Care Center of Protestant Welfare.

The Christmas Cantata sung by the church choir was Dec. 21. Preceding the Cantata, a breakfast for the congregation was served.

The Community choir, of which Doris Edwards is a member, sang at the high school auditorium Dec. 6-7.

The Sunday program was sponsored by the Ministerial Association, and included meditations and congregational singing.

The next meeting of the Ruth Group was Dec. 18, and featured dinner and shopping at the Galleria in St. Louis.



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# 'Flubber' fantasy falls flat

Only The Mouse could get away with a film as flimsy as "Flubber."

A generation after "The Absent Minded Professor," the 1961 classic starring Fred MacMurray, Disney presents a new-and-improved version named for the substance that saves the day.

This time Robin Williams plays professor Phillip Brainard, backed by an amorous robot and an animated glob of green goo.

"Flubber" opens on the morning of Brainard's third wedding day. We're all waiting to find out if he'll remember to show up this time, since he's absent-mindedly left his fiancée at the altar twice before.

Brainard's intended, Sara, is president of the college where he teaches. Played by Marcia Gay Harden, she's just learned that the place will have to close its doors unless it comes up with a big bundle of cash, quick.

Oooh! The tension! "Flubber" is further proof that special effects have completely ruined Hollywood. It is nothing but a hodgepodge of unoriginal speculations on what would happen if some bespectacled geek invented a shmoo-shaped glob of green jelly with antigravitational powers and a cutesy-pie personality.

Walt must be rolling over in his cryogenic grave.

Kids may be amused by the slapstick humor and low-cal plot, but there's absolutely nothing for the grown-ups here. Williams' trademark ad libs are few and far between, and are overwhelmed by frenetic physical humor, a la



Robin Williams and his goopy co-star in Walt Disney Pictures' "Flubber."

"Mrs. Doubtfire."

"Yes it's true. He still isn't funny anymore."

"Flubber" is so full of cartoonish violence that it makes the Three Stooges look like Jane Austen. The primary victims are Smith (Clancy Brown) and Wesson (Ted Levine), a pair of goons analogous to the burglars in "Home Alone." The number of times they receive head trauma from blunt objects is simply nauseating.

Not that there's anything inherently wrong with that, but "Flubber" has no socially redeeming qualities whatsoever. In a way it's a different type of kiddie porn, pandering to the little tykes' lust for madcap situations and violence without hurt.

"Flubber" is directed by Les Mayfield, whose past "credits" include "Encino Man" with Casey Siemaszko. In the hands of producer John Hughes, who also co-wrote the script with

Bill Walsh, it celebrates old-fashioned family values like deception and revenge.

But most offensive is Weebo, the professor's robot sidekick. In the original "Absent Minded Professor," the role was filled by a dog. But now Disney has gone beyond anthropomorphizing animals, to machines.

Weebo expresses her emotions by displaying clips from old movies and cartoons on a small pop-up video screen. Most of them are from Disney cartoons — a snoring Sleepy from "Bambi," a giggling Goofy from "Dumbo." It's another fine example of the company's cynical marketing genius.

Speaking of which, "Flubber" is accompanied by the new customary marketing onslaught of toys, gadgets and gizmos allegedly composed of the mythical material but actually made entirely of plastic.

How apropos.

— Associated Press

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Sunday, Dec. 28

Make solid, practical decisions today under the last Capricorn moon of 1997. When you take the position of CEO in your own life, things come together. Make resolutions now. Tomorrow is the last new moon of the year. Demonstrate your willingness to learn.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Dec. 28). Get commitments in business and pleasure this year! You are unstoppable. Through February, you may be on pins and needles, waiting for a job offer, but by March, it's full steam ahead. The people who count are on your side.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You're at the hub of activity. Keep a cool head as you will be making decisions for the group. Important business and personal alliances are forming. Caution and good sense come into play this evening.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Someone you love may be fooling you on a small issue but is there for you in the long run. You will make an important move tonight. A friend brings you a delightful surprise.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). A social meeting with an influential person furthers your ambitions. A female associate offers you excellent advice.

Take it! Your independent, rebellious attitude could create trouble.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Allow a friend or co-worker to show you a better way. Interrupting the routine helps everyone involved. Let friends help you. You're full of passionate opinions, but perhaps you should listen more than you talk.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Peace and quiet bring brilliant ideas, so spend at least an hour in solitude. Catch up on unfinished bills and paperwork. Later, spending time with a Scorpio or Sagittarian can recharge your batteries.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A big social occasion is as glittering and exciting as you'd anticipated. Your personal appointments could necessitate travel or lead to a job change. Your aura impresses sex people.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you offer to help, a whole new world opens up to you. Be courageous, and go forward swiftly. A terrific sense of humor is your best ally.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even though this day is meant for relaxing, thinking over important career moves will benefit you. Keeping in mind

long-range potential, not short-term financial gain, is the key to success.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Investigate thoroughly before committing to anything at all. Make at least one resolution that involves volunteering for neighborhood and community work.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Loyalty is more important than perfection. You will travel with ease if you choose to. Also, hosting out-of-town visitors is favored this week.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Celebrate the person you are. A long walk or an evening toast to the moon is fulfilling. Errors can be rectified if you forgive yourself first.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Join in team efforts, and you can easily act as the coach. Your mate may have invited guests just when you wanted to be alone, but you'll be the one who makes them feel at home.

# MOVIE SCHEDULE

Film timetable for Sunday, Dec. 28. For times on other days, or to confirm these times, check with local theaters.

**ALTON CINE**  
2640 Clair St., 462-1131  
Titanic (PG-13) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 7:15, 9:30  
The Postman (R) 12:00, 4:00, 6:15

**CARMIE PETITE**  
170 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, Ill., 344-1708  
Home Alone 3 (PG) 1:15, 3:20, 7:15, 9:20  
Titanic (PG-13) 12:30, 4:30, 8:30  
The Postman (R) 2:45, 4:45, 8:45  
Mr. Magoo (G) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

**EASTGATE CINE**  
Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, Ill., 254-5889  
Anastasia (G) 12:30  
Flubber (PG) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40  
Screen 2 (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00  
An American Werewolf in Paris (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30  
As Good As It Gets (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 8:00  
Moushant (PG) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:20  
For Richer Or Poorer (PG-13) 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50

**COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINE**  
Edwardsville, Ill., 656-6399  
Screen 2 (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00  
Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13) 1:30,

4:30, 7:15, 9:50  
Mr. Magoo (PG) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:00  
**NAMEOKI CINE**  
30 Nameoki Village, 877-6630  
Home Alone 3 (PG) 2:30, 6:45, 9:15  
Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13) 2:00, 7:15, 9:50  
**QUAD CINE**  
Belleville, Ill., 233-1220  
Flubber (PG) 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:15  
Screen 2 (R) 1:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00  
Titanic (PG-13) 12:00, 4:00, 8:00  
Tomorrow Never Dies (PG-13) 1:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40

**ROXANA CINE THEATER**  
Roxana, Ill., 254-0746  
Anastasia (G) 2:00, 6:45, 9:00  
**ST. CLAIR 10**  
50 Ludwig Drive, 398-8393  
Moushant (PG) 1:45, 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:35  
Moushant (PG) 12:45, 2:45, 5:30, 7:15, 10:30  
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 1:05, 4:05, 7:05, 10:10  
Mr. Magoo (PG) 1:10, 3:00, 5:05, 7:20, 9:35  
The Postman (R) 1:15, 5:30, 9:00  
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Screen 2 (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50, 12:05  
Screen 2 (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00, 10:45  
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 11:25, 1:45, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50  
An American Werewolf in Paris (R) 12:05, 2:10, 4:45, 7:30, 9:55, 11:15

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MON-WED 12/29-31 COLLINSVILLE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT			
SAT	01/09	01:15	01:15
TUE	01/08	01:15	01:15
FRI	01/09	01:15	01:15
FRI	01/12	01:15	01:15
WED-SAT	01/21-24	01:15	01:15
FRI	01/30	01:15	01:15
SAT	01/31	01:15	01:15
FRI	02/09	01:15	01:15
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TUE	02/17	01:15	01:15
FRI	02/20	01:15	01:15
SAT	02/21	01:15	01:15
MON-FRI	02/24	01:15	01:15
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## GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL 1997-98 GIRLS BASKETBALL

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MON	01/12	01:15	01:15	MADISON	01:15
FRI	01/19	01:15	01:15	COLLINSVILLE*	01:15
MON	01/20	01:15	01:15	MASCOUTAH	01:15
FRI	01/26	01:15	01:15	COLLINSVILLE	01:15
FRI	01/30	01:15	01:15	EDWARDSVILLE*	01:15
THU	02/06	01:15	01:15	BELLEVIEWE WEST*	01:15
FRI	02/08	01:15	01:15	BELLEVIEWE EAST*	01:15
MON	02/09	01:15	01:15	ALTON*	01:15
MON-FRI	02/09-14	01:15	01:15	I.S.H.A. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT	01:15
MON-THU	02/23-26	01:15	01:15	I.S.H.A. SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT	01:15
MON	02/28	01:15	01:15	I.S.H.A. SUPER-SECTIONAL	01:15
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## GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL MID-STATES CLUB HOCKEY ASSOC. 1997-98 BOYS HOCKEY

FRI		12/28		9:45	
SAT	12/27	10:00AM	10:00AM	WESTMINSTER	10:00AM
THU	01/01	5:45	5:45	WENTZVILLE	5:45
MON	01/06	8:45	8:45	FRANCIS HOWELL	8:45
MON	01/10	9:30AM	9:30AM	McCLUER NORTH	9:30AM
MON	01/18	5:45	5:45	ST. CHARLES WEST	5:45
FRI	01/19	9:00	9:00	HAZELWOOD CENTRAL	9:00
FRI	01/23	9:30	9:30	HAZELWOOD WEST	9:30
SAT	01/26	4:30	4:30	McCLUER	4:30
MON	01/28	8:45	8:45	HAZELWOOD EAST	8:45
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## GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CLUB HOCKEY ASSOC. 1997-98 BOYS HOCKEY

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SUN	01/04	7:00	7:00	BETHALTO	7:00
WED	01/07	8:15	8:15	BELLEVIEWE WEST	8:15
WED	01/14	8:15	8:15	COLLINSVILLE	8:15
WED	01/21	8:15	8:15	BELLEVIEWE ALTHOFF	8:15
WED	01/28	8:15	8:15	BELLEVIEWE EAST	8:15
SAT	02/07	8:30	8:30	BELLEVIEWE WEST	8:30
WED	02/11	8:15	8:15	CAHOKIA	8:15
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## GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL 1997-98 BOYS WRESTLING

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FRI	01/09	01:10	01:10	8:00AM	8:00AM
SAT	01/10	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
SAT	01/16	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
THU	01/18	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
FRI-SAT	01/23-24	01:10	01:10	11:00AM	11:00AM
SAT	01/24	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
THU	01/30	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
FRI-SAT	02/06-7	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
TUE-SAT	02/10-11	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
FRI-SAT	02/13-14	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
FRI-SAT	02/20-21	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
TUE	02/24	01:10	01:10	9:00AM	9:00AM
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# Recruitment Resource

## Picture-perfect profession

### Craft brings artist one-on-one with his subjects

By Nanette Sharp  
Correspondent

Photography is an art — painting without paint, says one local photographer. It can also be a lucrative business.

James Goebel of Arnold is a semi-professional photographer who shoots weddings, portraits and commercial photos in his spare time.

"There's a lot of competition out there. It's a good part-time job, but very competitive full time," Goebel said. He puts in about 20 hours a week on his business and works full time at another job.

"I like working this as a sideline. You can give more of a personal touch, work directly with people," he said.

Goebel said studio owners often must hire part-time photographers to help them when they are overbooked. The assistants go in, photograph the wedding and leave without much contact with the bride and groom.

"You can lose the one-on-one contact," said Goebel. "I went into wedding

"Nobody will go on vacation with me. I will be driving down a road, see a nice scene and pull over to shoot it. It takes me a long time to get places."

— James Goebel

photography because I used to work at a processing lab and I saw the pictures done by others and thought, 'I can improve on that.'"

Goebel does portrait photography in people's homes "around the fireplace" for a personal setting.

He also photographs commercial work. He is an official fire photographer and is often called to shoot the ruins of a fire while it is still hot.

"Photos of fire scenes are used for

training, to put into reports and to refresh fire officials' memories if they have to go to court. They are also used for arson investigations," Goebel said.

"People ask me how I can do this. I like it. I used to work for several departments. Now I work for just one, but they lend me out to others."

The worst experience he ever had was when he was called to a fatality and the victim turned out to be a friend of his.

Goebel has been shooting photos for over 25 years. He has a complete darkroom in the basement of his home.

"People who are considering becoming professional photographers should take a class, see how they enjoy it, learn how to operate a simple camera and then learn about lighting," Goebel said.

It is a great career, but does have its drawbacks, he said.

"Nobody will go on vacation with me. I will be driving down a road, see a nice scene and pull over to shoot it. It takes me a long time to get places," Goebel said.

## Good career in the bag

### Clerk a flexible, convenient job

By Joe Leicht  
Staff writer

If you like people, crave flexibility and don't mind some occasional stress, you might want to look into becoming a grocery clerk.

Kathy Roever, who manages Schmitt's IGA store in Waterloo, says it's a job people want — and one that can lead to a career.

"I've been with the store 25 years, and I got started as a part-time grocery clerk," Roever said. "It was a great job that fit my schedule and my needs, and I've been store manager since 1993."

Schmitt's IGA is a small neighborhood operation. That means more responsibility for clerks, who care of whatever needs to be done. Roever said. That includes running the cash register, restocking shelves and minor cleaning.

For the larger, departmentalized grocer chains, there is a well-defined division of labor.

"Working in a grocery store, at least this store, you get used to your customers, you get to know them and like them. You have to like people," Roever said.

Amy Brandt, an 18-year-old Maestown resident and a Rend Lake College freshman who has worked at Schmitt's since her junior high school year, agrees.

"I like talking to and working with public, so this is the kind of job I want to do now," she said. "As a student, the hours are very flexible. I can usually get more hours if I want them during summer and Christmas vacation and spring break."

Sometimes, grocery clerks face a lot of stress. Roever said the ability to handle hectic moments is a quality she looks for in employees.

"You have to be able to keep a smile for the customers, no matter what," Roever said.

Paul Schaefer, business representative for United Food & Commercial Workers Union Local 881, said the starting wage for grocery clerks ranges from \$5.35 to \$5.50 per hour.

"Our contracts have wage progression," he said. "For a grocery clerk who has been on the job a long time, the top rate is \$13.50 an hour."

## Sole man: Shoe repair satisfying for owner

By LaRita Marie Heot  
Correspondent

For Joe Caulfield, owner of Cobblestone Quality Shoe Repair at Ladue Crossing, there's no business like shoe business.

"My primary interest (when starting with Cobblestone) was being my own boss. There is nothing I don't like about owning my own business," Caulfield said.

While shoe repair is obviously the work at hand, the real business consists of serving customers.

"What I like most about this business is the interaction with people. I get instant gratification from my work. If we can fix someone's shoes, they're surprised, and happy," said Caulfield. "The best part is that you get to see people happy with the work that you do."

Because of the high volume of repairs at Cobblestone, which is a full-service repair facility, much of the work is sent their central shop. By doing this, Cobblestone's customers can be assured that they will have their shoes back in 3 to 4 days, or a week, at

most.

"If it can be fixed on shoes, we can fix it," said Caulfield. "It takes strong people and sales skills to go into this field, according to Caulfield."

"It's tough to find people who are interested in taking this up. You have to work into it. If you learn from the right people, and take pride in your work, you can make a nice living at it."

Caulfield speaks from experience. His brother-in-law, Randy Lipson, who is co-owner of the Ladue Crossing store, helped Caulfield get involved in

the business originally.

"I picked it up quickly because I had a background in sales. The most important part is working with customers," said Caulfield.

Lipson also is owner and co-owner of two other Cobblestones — one in Chesterfield, one in Town and Country.

While the long hours take their toll occasionally, Caulfield clearly enjoys his career.

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- 200 Schools/Colleges
- 201 Health Care
- 202 Medical Health Care
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**MERCHANDISE**

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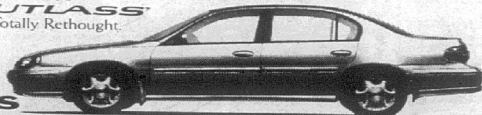




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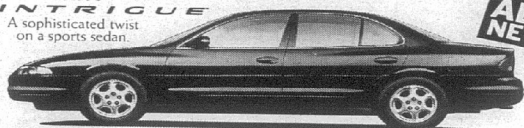


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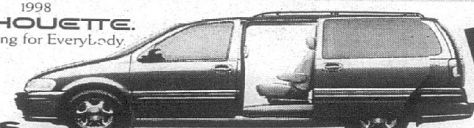


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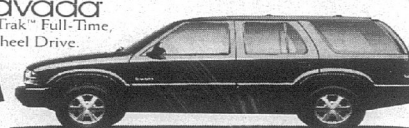


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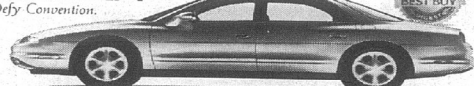


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## Good deal Casino dealers work in fast-paced atmosphere

By Steve Bryan  
Correspondent

Not so very long ago, people had to fly to Las Vegas or Atlantic City to legally play blackjack or try their luck at a slot machine.

It's possible today, however, to find legalized gambling on Indian Reservations, at Superman's "home" in Metropolis, Ill., or inside riverboats floating on the Mississippi River.

More casinos means a need for more trained and experienced dealers willing to work in this exciting, fast-paced and fun industry.

"This isn't a Monday through Friday, 9 to 5 job," said Maureen Dixon Sullivan, table games shift manager at the President Casino on the Admiral.

"We need people who can count and are willing to work different shifts."

In Missouri, dealers need to be at least 21 years of age before applying and must, of course, learn the rules and mechanics of any game that they deal.

Anyone working at a craps table should know, for example, that rolling a seven or 11 is good for some players and bad for others.

The President Casino offers free training for dealers at its Professional Development Center, 800 N. First St., on an "as-needed" basis.

"We don't have an open facility for training dealers," Dixon-Sullivan said. "We are anticipating opening the training school up for blackjack dealers very soon, though."

"We may train you, but not everyone can be a dealer, it's not for everyone. We cannot provide a guarantee that you'll get a job with us," she said.

Depending on the game, training might last eight to 12 weeks. Some people receive training three days a week while working a 40-hour job, Dixon-Sullivan said.

When the President Casino conducted its first training school in the fall of 1993, about 300 people attended. Of those, 200, including blackjack dealer Andy Kinder, actually graduated.



Dennis Caldwell photo

Blackjack dealer Andy Kinder plies his trade on the President Casino.

"We've got a melting pot of individuals working here. We have PhD's, teachers and even a retired major in the poker room," Dixon-Sullivan said.

Dealers and anyone else who works on a gaming boat in Missouri must also have a license in the form of gaming badge issued by the Missouri Gaming Commission.

Applicants for a badge are obligated to make full disclosure about their background to the Missouri Gaming

Commission.

There are a number of things which might prevent someone from getting a badge," said Lisa Dorn, public relations director for the President Casino.

Things like being convicted of a felony, falsifying documents, not being of legal age or having a criminal record. These have been deemed illegal actions in the eyes of the Missouri Gaming Commission.

## References are important part of job application

By Steve Bryan  
Correspondent

Before sitting down for a face-to-face interview with a manager or human resources director, most companies will ask you to fill out some sort of employment application.

A typical job application contains spaces for listing schools, current address and phone numbers, work history plus personal and professional references.

Some applicants, however, do not understand the importance of being honest in this situation. They think they can put anything on an employment application because no one will ever follow-up on this information.

"References are checked, especially for people working with children," said Deborah Kettler, director of career services at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

"There are companies out there who do nothing but perform background checks for other companies. Some companies request police background checks and others might fingerprint you," she said.

"You should always be ready to give references with your job applications. This means doing some legwork and compiling a list of three or four references before an interview."

Always make sure to let people know that you want to use them as a reference. Never include anyone on your list until you ask their permission.

"If they say no, don't be offended," Kettler said. "Some people just don't like to do it. Be gracious and let them off the hook."

Most employers are interested in professional references. List former supervisors, employers or anyone else who is familiar with the quality of your work.

"You may want to give your references a copy of your current resume before a company calls them," Kettler said. This lets them see where you are today in your career."

If you're a student starting your first job search, ask a faculty member if they would act as one of your references.

Once you've compiled a list, type your references up neatly on a sheet of paper.

Make sure to include the reference's name, how they know you (supervisor, long-time family friend) and a contact address and phone number.

Always carry copies of your reference list to an interview so you can slide one into the job application. References should not be on your resume, Kettler said.

Giving misleading information to an employer on a application can have serious consequences for the job-seeker.

Most employment applications contain an agreement in which you authorize the employer to check your references and validate your background information.

If a company discovers that you've falsified your application, this will most likely disqualify you from landing the job.

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